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VIEWS OF THE NEWS

By LEONARD F. JAMES

Don't you want to exercise your right to debate the issue of war and peace? For that is enough to ensure peace. At least, that is what Henry Wallace implies—that the wish alone can accomplish the fact. He appears to believe that Russia has moved westwards because of the "violent opposition of the non-Communist and anti-Communist world," and he apparently regards every measure of protection made by other nations as deliberate affronts to Russia's peaceful intentions. Mr. Wallace hasn't yet learned that wishful thinking, however sincere and ardent, will not by itself achieve a desired end. Back in 1939 many nations believed that if they announced insistently enough their desire to be neutral then their wishes were a magic cloak of safety. They learned, as Wallace can't or won't, that in war a nation is neutral only so long as it is permitted to be so. What it wants doesn't count.

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Housing Authority Accepted Will Build Low Rental Houses For Veterans

The special town meeting Tuesday night voted to accept the Housing Authority and appropriate \$500 to get it started on its project of providing low rental housing for veterans.

The meeting also voted \$280 for rental of rooms for the Disabled Veterans' Post 18, but referred to the next regular town meeting the article asking for \$5000 to authorize the Board of Public Works to lay a sewer in Topping road and Franklin avenue, on the petition of Wilfred Laroche and others.

It took the meeting only 35 minutes to decide upon accepting the Housing Authority. At 7:30 Moderator Arthur Sweeney called the meeting to order and at 8:05 the motion of acceptance was carried without a dissenting voice. It took only nine minutes more to dispose of the other two articles, and the meeting, attended by 170 persons, was over at 8:14.

When the meeting was called to order, the Rev. Henry B. Smith, O.S.A., of St. Augustine's church, opened the proceedings with prayer, after which Chairman Roy D. Hardy of the Board of Selectmen, led the meeting in a salute to the flag.

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Busy Weekend Planned for Abbot

The last weekend before the final exercises of the year finds a full program scheduled for Saturday and Sunday at Abbot.

Spring Field Day will take place Saturday, the events beginning at 10:45 with the Griffin-Gargoyle parade to the playing fields. The parade is preceded by rallies of the opposing sides.

Beginning at 11:00 the morning program will exhibit track events as follows: Broad jump, relay, javelin throw, hurdles, dashes, discus, shot put, and high jump.

After luncheon the athletic events will resume at 2:00 o'clock when tennis—doubles and singles—will be played. The program comes to a climax with the baseball game scheduled for 3:00 o'clock. Announcement of the pitchers for the two teams will be a last-minute affair. Leaders of the various classes of events are as follows: Head of track, Sally Lunt of Ipswich; head of tennis, Martha Ball of Flint, Michigan; Eleanor Wallis, head of baseball, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Saturday evening Miss Emily Hale, teacher of speech and dramatics will present seven of her pupils in a recital to be given before a school assembly in Abbot.

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Big Trout Caught In Shawsheen

Boys Land Largest
Taken From River
In Recent Years

Two boys fishing in the Shawsheen Monday, hooked two of the finest trout caught in Andover in many years.

Charles "Buddy" Souter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Souter of 174 North Main street pulled in a three-pound beauty of 20 inches, while Bartley Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Miller of 80 Stevens street, caught one of 18 inches which weighed 2 1/2 pounds.

Both were brown trout. The boys were using fly rods with very fine leaders and No. 8 hooks baited with worms. Each had to fight with their catch for 20 minutes before they could wade in and lift them out.

The fish were estimated to be about five years old. They were full of fight, sometimes leaping as high as three feet out of the water. The boys had left their landing nets at home and were handicapped in landing the fish. Both lads are members of the Andover Sportsman's club and spend most of their time after school hours in the surrounding woods and streams.

News of the catch caused great joy among members of the Sportsman's club. Many remember when the Shawsheen was polluted and contained only a few eels and hornpout. Town officials and public spirited citizens a few years ago, taking advantage of the state anti-pollution laws, got busy on the task of cleaning it up.

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Library Success Due To Competent Leaders

History of Local Institution Shows Unbroken
Line of Progressive Administrators

To glance back over the history of the Memorial Hall Library for the past seventy-five years is to be reminded that the success of any institution depends greatly on the ideals and foresight of those into whose hands the administration of its ideas is entrusted. Fortunately, since the first appointment of trustees and librarians, there has been an unbroken line of men and women who took their responsibilities with seriousness and wholehearted concern for the welfare of their library.

Public libraries, although coming into existence with rapidity at the time of the development of Andover's, were obliged to form many of their procedures by the trial and error methods, partly due to a lack of central organization. The opening date, in the same year as that

of the Chicago Public Library, preceded the formation of the American Library Association by six years. However, the men who set our early pattern used excellent judgment and made long-reaching decisions.

The first librarian, Ballard Holt, was a descendant of Nicolas Holt, one of the earliest settlers of Andover. Although born in Chelmsford, Massachusetts, on March 20, 1837, Andover claims him for her own, since at a very early age his family came to the Holt homestead on Prospect Hill, so that almost his entire life was spent in Andover. He was a member of the class of

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Increase Only \$1 Over '47 Announcement Made Today By Assessors

Andover's tax rate for 1948 will be \$34 the board of assessors announced today.

This is an increase of only \$1 over the 1947 rate, and is based upon a total assessed valuation of real and personal property of \$19,090,114.

Announcement of the new rate was made after a conference which the board of assessors held Thursday morning with Howard G. Brown, district supervisor of the office of the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxations.

When the annual town meeting last March voted a new high record of appropriations totalling more than a billion dollars, there were indications then that the tax rate would be substantially increased.

Chairman Roy E. Hardy explained today that this was offset by an increase of \$50,000 in corporation taxes; \$8,000 more was available due to an overestimate by the commissioner in 1947; new property valued at \$382,000 would bring \$13,000 at the \$34 rate; and the increase of \$1 in the tax rate would account for \$19,000 more.

In 1947 the valuation of personal property was estimated at \$2,292,502, and real estate at \$16,415,245, a total of \$18,707,747. For 1948 the estimates are: personal, \$2,413,149, and real, \$16,676,965, a total of \$19,090,114.

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The Back Yard Gardener Says:

If your area has been a bit backward this spring, you can probably put the blame on to the dry weather. We seldom think of spring as being too dry, except for wells and forest fire danger, but according to weather records up at the State University, we're not only short of rainfall, but we're short of bright sunshine. The two together, of course, makes the grass grow.

We were about one-half inch normal of 3.35 inches in rainfall during the month of April and had 179 hours of bright sunshine as compared to 220. Since the first of January we're short 3 inches of rainfall and it's got to rain 10 inches during the month of May in order to have the past year up to normal of 43.7 inches.

While those conditions have put back yard gardens and lawns on the late side, they have helped the fruit. Bill Thies, one of the pomologists there at the University of Massachusetts, points out that this relatively cool weather has kept bud development back. This minimizes the danger of frost during the blossom period.

In my case that should help for, if I have apples according to blossoms, I certainly am going to have plenty. I have one big Yellow Transparent that's just covered with bloom, too many in fact. I also have eight dwarf apple trees that have plenty of bloom. And the cherry tree which I harvest for my good neighbor Ned Holland is covered with bloom. So things are looking up for this back yard gardener.

Another advantage of this dry weather has been to decrease the infection of apple scab. Now to a back yard gardener that doesn't mean much, but it certainly means a lot to the little commercial fruit grower, and commercial fruit growing is no small item in this little state of ours—something better than 2½ million bushels in a normal year.

Bill Thies tells me, too, that on favorable orchards there's moderate peach bloom. With some warm weather during the blossom period in order to give bee activity, a larger than normal crop may be expected. In the meantime, folks, pray for rain.

Personally I haven't noticed any difficulty with my own lawn from dry weather. That's probably due to the fact that I have a heavy clay soil. Furthermore, I gave it an extra heavy dose of fertilizer and it's growing thicker than the hair on a dog's back. I'm going to give it another dose of fertilizer the middle of May, for I want to have it have plenty of umph to carry it through the summer. This will be particularly true of the area where the kids and I play baseball and badminton and where we have our picnics.

I understand that there's an oil and gasoline shortage looming on the horizon. This will be due to the large number of cars and increased driving and a big increase in farm and industrial machines using gasoline and oil.

Well, here's one person who won't be adding much to that shortage. I'll be having my picnics at home in the back yard. No sense eating other people's dust and fumes just in order to have a picnic at some distant spot which is littered with papers and stale food. There are exceptions, I know, but in general I picnic at home and save gas.

GARDEN WEEK

Garden week beginning May 23 will be observed at the Memorial Hall library with a special display of books dealing with all phases of garden interests. Flower arrangements will be a feature of the exhibit.

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VEGETABLE GROWERS MEET

Wednesday evening, May 12th, County Agent, Carleton O. Cartwright, in conjunction with the Essex County Vegetable Growers' association and Professor Oran C. Boyd and Professor C. L. Thomson of the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst, conducted a demonstration of weed control in early corn by chemical, and inspection of 400,000 sturdy plants in sterilized hot beds at John Rasmussen's farm on Lowell street. About one hundred farmers of Essex County viewed the demonstration with interest and were made enthusiastic by the prospect of banishing the hoe to the scrap heap.

After the lecture and discussion period refreshments were served by Mrs. John Rasmussen, assisted by Mrs. Gladys Batchelder and Mrs. Kenneth Hilton. The meeting adjourned about eleven o'clock.

Church Notes

A very enthusiastic group of young people from the various churches of Andover met in the vestry of the West church Sunday evening, May 16. The greetings of the host church were extended by the President, Dawn Dunn. The Rev. Arthur Bowles of the South Congregational church of Peabody gave a talk called "How Good Is Your Religion?" The Rev. and Mrs. Bowles sang a duet and Mrs. Bowles was pianist during the devotional service. The program of entertainment included a skit, "The Coquette" with the following cast:



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John Rasmussen, of Lowell street. Walter True of High Plain road is taking a two weeks' course of instruction at the Electro Motor School of the General Motors Co., being held at Le Grange, Ill. Mr. True is a Diesel engine inspector for the Boston and Maine railroad.

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Parish Meeting

A meeting of the Parish will be held Monday evening, May 24 in the West church vestry to act on the report of the Vestry Building Committee and to authorize the committee to go ahead with plans for remodeling the vestry.

Council of Churches To Meet

The annual meeting of the Council of Churches will be held Wednesday evening, May 26 in the West church vestry. A catered supper will be served at 6:30. A business meeting with election of officers will follow.

Andover Grange Meets

Andover Grange No. 183 will meet in Grange hall Tuesday evening, May 25 at 8 o'clock. A Memorial Day Service will be in charge of the Chaplain, Mrs. Hazel Williams, and the music for the evening will be in charge of Mrs. Helen True and Mrs. Irma Peatman.

Men's Brotherhood

Thursday evening, May 27 at 8 o'clock, the Men's Brotherhood of the West church will meet in the vestry. State Senator Philip Allen will give a talk on Current Events in the Legislature. The committee in charge of the meeting includes: Arthur Lewis, Norman Morgan, Arthur Morley, Fred Orstein, Sherman Boutwell and William Barron Jr.

School Patrol

West Parish was well represented at the School Patrolmen's Jamboree held Saturday in the Warner Theater, Lawrence. Those who attended were Richard Jones, Jackie McCabe, Alan and Arthur Schwarzenberg, Larry Lewis, Walter Potvin and Robert Tisbert.

Personals

Mrs. Harold Baker of St. Petersburg, Florida, is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. William MacKeon of Lowell street.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Nortoff of Mattapan, and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Dahl of Lowell, were dinner guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs.

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Mr. and Mrs. Earl Young and son of Lowell street, spent Sunday with relatives in Plymouth.

Mr. and Mrs. William Stewart of Waterville, Maine, spent the weekend as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Northey, Rocky Hill road.

Edwin Stillwagon of Framingham visited Sunday with his friend Warren A. Lewis of Lowell street.

Rev. and Mrs. John G. Gaskill of Lowell street and John A. Broadhead of High street, represented the West Parish Congregational church at the 150th Conference of the Massachusetts Congregational Churches and Missionary Conference held in Springfield during the first three days of the week.

Mrs. Beatrice Hunter of Lowell street, attended Wednesday the Past Matrons and Past Patrons Night of the Eastern Star, held in Tremont Temple, Boston.

Major and Mrs. Emil Muller of the Salvation Army in New Haven, Conn., visited during the weekend with Mrs. George Muller of High Plain road. Major Muller was en route to Berlin, N. H., to attend a conference of the Salvation Army and to renew old acquaintances there, as Berlin, N. H. was the location where he began his first duties with the Army twenty-five years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert MacFarlane of Cambridge were guests during the weekend of Mrs. Leslie Adkins. Mrs. F. Stanley Chamberlain and daughter Judith of Tacoma, Wash., who have been visiting Rev. and Mrs. Gaskill, left Saturday to visit the former's brother in Londonderry, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gorrie and Jackie and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Leonard and David of Lowell street, and Mrs. and Mrs. Harwood Belding and their three children of High Plain road, all attended the circus in Boston Friday afternoon.

Miss Louise Kelsey has returned to her home on Shawsheen Road after spending several days in New

Schools Combine In Science Exhibit

A school science exhibition will be opened to the public from one until five Saturday, May 22, by the schools of Andover and some of the neighboring towns. The exhibition will take place in Morse Hall at Phillips Academy (directly across the campus from George Washington Hall). There is no admission fee.

Among the many interesting displays, collections of wild flowers and other plants found in this region are especially noteworthy. Patrons will also enjoy the rare birds collected in North Andover, and the large display which describes the geology of the Andovers.

Some will take pleasure in measuring their horsepower with a hand-cranked dynamo; the less active may prefer to peer through microscopes at bacteria, or admire the ingenious ways in which animals manage to camouflage themselves or to mimic other, more fearsome, kinds. Apparatus will be in operation to enable one to "see" his voice. These are only a few highlights of what promises to be a particularly worthwhile exhibition.

Many of the displays are the work of the boys and girls in the schools represented; others have been prepared with the help of the teachers. Besides entries from Pynchard, Abbot and Phillips, there are others from Brooks and Johnson High and from the schools in Reading, North Reading, Tewksbury and Wilmington. It is hoped that this exhibition will be the first in an annual series, and that in the future the best exhibits may be entered in the New England School Science contest. This contest, sponsored by the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, is held annually in Boston, and the entries compete for prizes and college scholarships.

York City.

Fred McCollum has returned from the Randolph Nursing Home and is recuperating at his home on Lincoln street.

Mrs. Grace Merrick has been moved from the Woburn Hospital to the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Lawrence in Woburn.

Mrs. Lena Strain and Mrs. Helen Copeland of Malden spent the weekend as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Haartz of High Plain road.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McCabe of High Plain road, have received word from their son Arthur, who is in the U. S. Marine Corps, that he has been transferred from Paris Island, N. C., to Camp Pendleton, California. He is to enter the radio operators' school located there.

Miss Constance Dow spent the weekend at her home on Beacon street. She is attending Colby Junior College, New London, N. H.

AT THE CHURCHES

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Wendell L. Bailey, Pastor
Friday, 7:15 p. m., All-Church Stunt Nite in the Vestry sponsored by the Friendly Circle.

Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Church School for all departments; 10:45, Morning worship; sermon by the pastor: "Be Ye Extraordinary."

Wednesday, 2:30 p. m., Pioneer Girls meet in Vestry; 6:30, annual Church Supper meeting of Andover Council of Churches in West Parish Church vestry.

Thursday, 6:30 p. m., Royal Ambassadors' meeting; 8:00, Adult choir rehearsal in the parlor.

METHODIST CHURCH

(Ballardvale)

Rev. William Crawford, Minister
Sunday, 10:30 a. m., Morning worship and sermon; 11:40, Church school with classes for all ages; 5:00 p. m., Youth Fellowship meeting.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH

Rev. Thomas P. Fogarty, Pastor

Friday, 7:45 p. m., Devotions for the Holy Souls and Novena prayers to St. Theresa.

Saturday, 4 to 6; 7:30 to 9 Confessions.

Sunday, Masses: 6:30, 8:30, 9:45, 11:30.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

(Ballardvale)

Sunday, 9:00 a. m., Mass.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

(Ballardvale)

Friday, 8:30 p. m., Book Review by Mrs. Stephanie Delaney followed by exhibition of work done by class instructed by Mrs. Delaney.

Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Sunday School and Junior Church; 11:00, Church service; sermon topic, "Hope for the Discouraged."

Wednesday, 12:30 p. m., Last meeting of season for Women's Service League.

SOUTH CHURCH

Rev. Frederick B. Noss, Pastor

Friday, 2:30 p. m., Missionary discussion tea at the home of Mrs. Roy Hardy; Mrs. Alexander Wilson discussion leader; 7:15 p. m., Troop 73, Boy Scouts.

Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Church School and the Junior Church; 9:30, High school class; 10:45, Morning Worship and Sermon; 11:15, Educational Motion Pictures; 6:00 p. m., Young People's Society.

Tuesday, 7:30 p. m., The Prudential committee; 8:00, Ping Pong club.

Wednesday, 1:15 p. m., Week-

Day School of the Christian Religion; 2:30, Missionary Discussion Group meeting with Mrs. Wilfred Lord; 6:30, Andover Council of Churches supper and annual meeting, West Church vestry.

Thursday, 10:00 a. m., All-Day Sewing Meeting of the Women's Union; 3:30, The Junior Choir; 7:45, The Church Choir; 8:00, Annual meeting A. P. C. Sorority.

CHRIST CHURCH

Rev. John S. Moses, Rector

Friday, 6:45 p. m., Boy Scouts, Troop 70.

Sunday, 8:00 a. m., Holy Communion; 9:30, Sunday School; 11:00, Morning Prayer and Sermon (Presentation of the Women's United Thank Offering).

Tuesday, 6:30 p. m., Girls' Friendly Society, Supper and Ministerial Show.

Wednesday, 1:15 p. m., Week-Day Religious Education; 2:00, Girl Scouts, Mrs. Johnson's troop; 6:30, Annual meeting, Andover Council of Churches (West Parish).

Thursday, 10:00 a. m., Holy Communion.

WEST PARISH CHURCH

Rev. John Gilbert Gaskill, Minister

Sunday, 10:30 a. m., Children's Service of Worship; classes for

Teen Aged and adults; 11:00, Morning Service of Worship; Sermon, "Interpreting God"; 7:30 p. m., Young Peoples' Fellowship will meet at the Parsonage; Leader, Constance Bailey; Social hour by Robert Gaskill.

Monday, 8:00 p. m., Parish meeting to authorize work on the enlarged vestry.

Tuesday, 6:00 p. m., The Boys' Hobby Club will meet at the Parsonage.

Wednesday, 6:30 p. m., Andover Council of Churches Annual Banquet and meeting in this church. Reservation should be made not later than Sunday by calling Mrs. Brown, Tel. 1958, or H. P. Carter, 584-W.

Thursday, 8:00 p. m., Men's Brotherhood will meet in the Vestry. Senator Allen will speak on "Current Events in the State House"; committee is composed of Arthur Lewis, chairman; Norman Morgan, Arthur Morley, Fred Orstein, Sherman Boutwell, William Barron, Jr.

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FRIENDLY GUILD MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Friendly Guild of the U. Congregational church was last Friday evening at the home of Mrs. James Schofield.

Mrs. Harry Peatman had charge of the devotional service, Roland Joy presided.

The report of the nominal committee was read and included the following: President, Frank Green; vice-president, William McIntyre; secretary, Pauline MacFarlane; treasurer, Mrs. Charles Scoble; members, Mrs. Alfred Webb, George Sparks; social committee, Mrs. Elwyn Russell, Mrs. J. Fairweather; advisor Mrs. J. Kelsey; publicity, Mrs. Randolph Perry; program, Mrs. Roland Kelsey; ways and means committee, Mrs. Philip Kelsey; William McIntyre; and a committee, Mrs. Robert McIntyre, Mrs. Ralph Greenwood, Miss Shaw, Mrs. Ralph Greenwood, Foster Matthews, Mrs. J. Gray, Mrs. Randolph Perry, Philip Kelsey; remembrance committee, Mrs. James Schofield, Randolph Perry; nominating committee, Mrs. James Sparks, Alfred Webb, Mrs. George K.

Refreshments were served by hostess. The next business meeting will be held June 11th at the home of Mrs. Charles Scoble, Mrs. William McIntyre will have charge of the devotional service.

Book Review
The people of the Vale are moving forward to Friday evening Mrs. Stephanie Delaney of Wilmington will give one of her interesting book reviews. A review of an exhibition will be of the articles made by the class of Ballardvale of Mrs. Delaney was instructed. Refreshments will be served. Collection will be taken from people of the Vale are in attendance.

Family Reunion Held
A family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. English, Chester, New Hampshire. Mr. and Mrs. Richard O. Verrill were present from the Vale were Mrs. John Anderson and Mrs. Helen Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Greenwood, Jr., and Mrs. Ralph Greenwood, Miss Dorothy Greenwood.

Mrs. English, formerly Greenwood and Mrs. O. Mable Greenwood, are former residents of Ballardvale.

Women's Service League
The members of the Service League held their meeting of the season in the vestry on Wednesday afternoon.

A delightful chicken dinner was served with Mrs. Barbara as hostess. The business meeting was held at two o'clock. Michael Mulloney presided. Identity of the secret was disclosed and a social hour.

P. T. A. Meeting
The regular monthly meeting of the P. T. A. was held Thursday evening in Brattleboro with Mrs. John Wilson.

The organization has purchased encyclopedias for the pupils of Bradlee school. Plans were made for a banquet which will be held in the vestry of the congregational church. The of the Friendly Guild will supper.

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Mrs. Hazel Schofield, Correspondent, Telephone 898-M

FRIENDLY GUILD MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Friendly Guild of the Union Congregational church was held last Friday evening at the home of Mrs. James Schofield.

Mrs. Harry Peatman had charge of the devotional service. Mrs. Roland Joy presided.

The report of the nominating committee was read and includes the following: President, Mrs. Frank Green; vice-president, Mrs. William McIntyre; secretary, Mrs. Pauline MacFarlane; treasurer, Mrs. Charles Scoble; membership committee, Mrs. Alfred Webb, Mrs. George Sparks; social committee, Mrs. Elwyn Russell, Mrs. James Fairweather; advisor Mrs. Philip Kelsey; publicity, Mrs. Randolph Perry; program, Mrs. Roland Joy, Mrs. John Crawford; missionary committee, Mrs. Philip Kelsey, Mrs. William McIntyre; Ways and Means committee, Mrs. Robert Mitchell, Mrs. Ralph Sharpe, Miss Doris Shaw, Mrs. Ralph Greenwood, Mrs. Foster Matthews, Mrs. Arthur Gray, Mrs. Randolph Perry, Mrs. Philip Kelsey; remembrance committee, Mrs. James Schofield, Mrs. Randolph Perry; nominating committee, Mrs. James Sparks, Mrs. Alfred Webb, Mrs. George Keith.

Refreshments were served by the hostess. The next business meeting will be held June 11th at the homes of Mrs. Charles Scoble, Mrs. William McIntyre will have charge of the devotional service.

Book Review

The people of the Vale are looking forward to Friday evening when Mrs. Stephanie Delaney of Wilmington will give one of her very interesting book reviews. After the review an exhibition will be held of the articles made by the decorating class of Ballardvale of which Mrs. Delaney was instructor. Refreshments will be served. A silver collection will be taken and all people of the Vale are invited to attend.

Family Reunion Held

A family reunion was held Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Merton English, Chester, New Hampshire. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ohsa were there from Randolph, Vermont and present from the Vale were Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson and son Craig, Mrs. Helen Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Greenwood, Jr., and children, Mrs. Ralph Greenwood, Sr., and Miss Dorothy Greenwood.

Mrs. English, formerly Flossie Greenwood and Mrs. Ohsa, nee Mable Greenwood, are well known former residents of Ballardvale.

Women's Service League

The members of the Women's Service League held their last meeting of the season in the church vestry on Wednesday afternoon.

A delightful chicken pie dinner was served with Mrs. Barbara Ellis as hostess. The business meeting was held at two o'clock with Mrs. Michael Mulloney presiding. The identity of the secret pals were disclosed and a social hour enjoyed.

P. T. A. Meeting

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Plans were made for the annual banquet which will be held June 10 in the vestry of the Union Congregational church. The members of the Friendly Guild will cater the supper.

Many useful articles were brought by the members to be shipped to England. Refreshments were served during the social hour by the teachers of Bradlee school.

Personals

Little Lynn Thompson is still ill at her home on Marland street as a result of a fall from a bicycle.

Ralph Sharpe son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sharpe won the prize for the seventh grade at the Lincoln spelling match last Friday.

Word has been received from Mr. and Mrs. Willard Myers and daughter Joanne who are now in Orlando, Fla. Mr. and Mrs. Myers were former residents of Ballardvale.

Beginning after Children's Day Sunday the services at the Union Congregational church will be held at 10 o'clock instead of at 11 o'clock for the rest of the summer season.

The pupils of Bradlee school will broadcast over station WCCM at 10 o'clock Friday morning under the direction of Miss Mary Collins the principal.

Miss Carol Scoble, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scoble, spent the week end visiting her aunt, Mrs. Charlotte Smith of Belmont. Saturday afternoon they attended the circus in the Boston Garden. They attended a tea Sunday at the home of friends in Dedham, where the guest of honor was a visitor from Aberdeen, Scotland.

Little Gail Forsythe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Forsythe of Chester street, had her tonsils removed at the Lawrence General hospital last week.

Mrs. Frank Green, Mrs. Anthony Lumenello and Mrs. Henry Myers packed three boxes of groceries for England and sent them Tuesday as tokens of the goodwill of the Ballardvale P. T. A. The members donated eighty-four pounds of groceries at the last meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sparks and granddaughter, Thelma, will drive to Lancaster Saturday to attend the wedding of Miss Ruth Collins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Collins, to Mr. William Young.

Mrs. Jane Mears of Center street, is confined to her home following a fall last week from which she sustained a broken hip.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fladger of Beverly, visited relatives in the Vale last Tuesday.

Little Michael Weinberg of Wilmington visited his cousins, Kenneth, Thelma and Beverly Sparks Sunday.

James Sparks of River street entered his dog, "Joe", at the hunt held in Gloucester last Sunday.

Rev. Philip M. Kelsey and Mrs. Kelsey were received into the fellowship of the Union Congregational church Sunday morning.

Among those attending the Youth Fellowship Group on Sunday evening in the West Parish church were: Rev. Philip Kelsey, Raymond Nolin, Miss Joan Buckley, Miss Mary Elizabeth Green, Miss Harriet Schofield and Miss Harriet Schofield of the Vale.

Alan Petty a student at the University of Vermont, spent the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Petty of Center street.

Lionel Buckley of Chester street was among the group of the employees of the Hathaway Bakery Co. attending the ball game at Braves field, Boston Wednesday evening.

Plan Horse Show Supper Party

Andover firemen are going all out to make their Red Coat Horse Show an attractive one for the exhibitors, as well as spectators.

They are making arrangements for a supper party at the Andover Country Club, Saturday night, May 29, opening day of the three-day show.

An orchestra will be engaged to furnish dance music. The show is being sponsored to raise funds to benefit the Plum Island summer camp for crippled polio children, only camp of its kind in the entire country.

Mail orders for tickets are now being accepted by Lt. Kerr A. Sparks, Andover Fire Department. Each ticket is \$1, including tax, and entitles the holder to chances on a sedan, television receiver and combination radio-phonograph set to be given away.

You can always tell a country girl from a city girl. When a gust of wind hits them, a country girl will grab for her skirt, but a city girl will grab for her hat.

SEEKS RE-NOMINATION

Senator Philip K. Allen of 1 Highland road has taken out papers for renomination as Republican candidate for state senator from the Fourth Essex district.

JAQUITH ESTATE

The estate of William H. Jaquith, 2nd, was valued at \$62,553.95 it was learned with the filing of the inventory with the registry of probate at Salem.

His will awarded his property to his widow, Mrs. Jane P. Jaquith, and a son, William H. Jaquith, Jr.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance committee is organized for the present year as follows: Howell M. Stillman,

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PUNCHARD HIGH

By Jack Sherman

JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

Tomorrow night, the twenty-first, the Junior Class of Punchard High school will give the Senior Class the annual Junior-Senior Prom. This is a custom of long-standing at Punchard, and through the years it has become a tribute and an expression of farewell. The arrangements are in charge of Miss Anger Dugan, assisted by Miss E. Marjorie Smith, Miss Margaret Hawksworth, Mrs. Gertrude Hardy and Bernard Kellmurray. The gymnasium will be decorated with streamers and in the center will be suspended a stella dodecahedron, in other words a twelve sided figure with a pyramid on each side, which was made by Eric Halbach, class of '48. The music will be provided by Roland Russell's orchestra. The public is invited to come.

Return from the Sea

Donald D. Dunn, director of ath-

letics, has just returned from two weeks of active duty with the United States Naval Reserve. During his tour of duty, Mr. Dunn took a course in navigation, and spent a week on the water.

Report Cards

Last Friday the report cards for the fourth term were issued to the students. The Honor Roll will soon be ready. Next term's cards are the last of the year, and they contain the fateful news of promotion and graduation.

Benefit Movie

Friday, the twenty-first, the Senior class is running a movie at the Andover Playhouse to raise money to cover graduation expenses. It's a good show, and the seniors would appreciate your buying tickets in advance, as their returns come only from the tickets sold in advance.

Honors

John Pingree and Eric Halbach of the class of '48 have both been admitted to Massachusetts Institute of Technology for the forthcoming year. Both boys are, of course, honor students at Punchard, as well as being active in extra-cur-

ricular activities. John played the male lead in the class play, "The Barretts of Wimpole Street", and Eric is a star runner on the track team. Both boys have been members of the football team.

Graduation

Graduation is fast approaching, and the Seniors who have been loudly stating how glad they will be to get out are beginning to wonder and reconsider. The program for the ceremony itself has been drawn up. The speakers will be Joan Capen, whose essay is "Training for the Good Life"; Jane Black, whose essay is "The Better Things of Life"; Eric Halbach, whose subject is "Abundance of Opportunities in Careers"; and Jane Lynch, whose essay is "The Challenge to Us as Citizens". The program will be held Tuesday evening, June eighth in the Memorial Auditorium, and the public is very cordially invited. Tickets at the principal's office.

Express Agency Status Unchanged

Mr. L. O. Head, President of Railway Express Agency, said today that his company had not been officially consulted about any purported change in its status as an express carrier, as recently reported in the press. Nor had any studies of its package traffic, properties or other services been made to justify such a statement, he said.

It was pointed out that in 1947, the customers of Railway Express paid \$442,000,000 for transporting 193,000,000 express shipments.

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Director Hallowell feels that the enthusiasm shown by various Faculty members will contribute greatly to the success of the production. On the staff of Faculty advisors are Mr. and Mrs. P. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harding, Mrs. Bartlett Hayes, and Mrs. Stephen Sorota.

"This is incontrovertible evidence of the huge public demand and need for the complete transportation service which Railway Express is providing", Mr. Head continued, "and it will undoubtedly take more than an expression of opinion to do away with that need."

It, as claimed, the handling of small package traffic by express is uneconomical to the railroads, it will likewise be uneconomical to the taxpayer, who is already paying the heavy annual loss sustained in parcel post service to which it has been suggested a certain part of the traffic now being handled by Railway Express Agency be diverted.

P. A. Dramatic Club To Present "Othello"

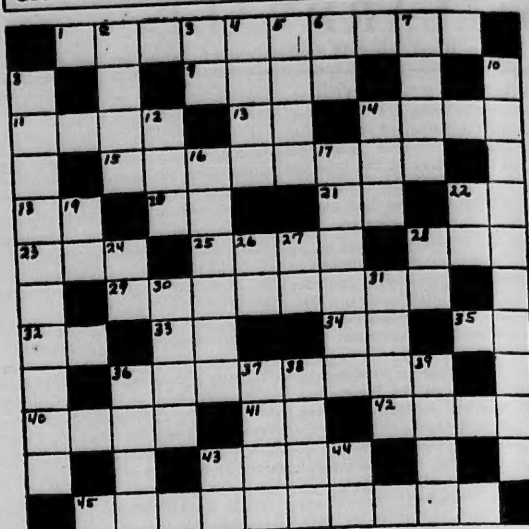
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CROSSWORD • • • By A. C. Gordon



ACROSS

- 1—Familiar instrument of scientific research
- 9—Determinate method for performing any mathematical operation
- 11—Presently
- 13—Scientific Unions (abbrev.)
- 14—Narrative poem
- 15—Uncharged particles (chemistry)
- 18—Exclamation
- 20—Chemical symbol for terbium
- 21—Pronoun
- 22—That man
- 23—Period of time
- 25—Current problem of science and mankind
- 28—Human race
- 29—Measure of land
- 32—Like
- 33—Dutch (abbrev.)
- 34—Nickname for American soldier

Into Science

- 35—Mathematical circular ratio
- 36—Inherent
- 40—An image
- 41—Public official (abbrev.)
- 42—Sandlike particles
- 43—Alderman (abbrev.)
- 45—Plate made in printing

DOWN

- 2—Metallic element
- 3—Public conveyance (abbrev.)
- 4—To eject
- 5—To slide over
- 6—Chemical symbol for cerium
- 7—Explosive reports
- 8—Pertaining to the science of quantities and magnitudes
- 10—Investigators of systematized knowledge
- 12—Woven fabric
- 14—Chemical suffix for naming certain hydrocarbons
- 16—A planet
- 17—Electrical resistance of a conductor
- 19—Either
- 22—Exclamation
- 24—Type of electric current
- 26—Thermoelectric Terminal (abbrev.)
- 27—Ordained investigators (abbrev.)
- 28—Personal pronoun
- 30—Paradise
- 31—To sound resonantly
- 36—Mathematic factor
- 37—An engine speed
- 38—In architecture, part of a pedestal
- 39—In machinery, the act of releasing
- 43—Measure of area
- 44—Land elevation (abbrev.)

(SOLUTION WILL BE FOUND ON PAGE 11)

ODD FELLOWSHIP ANNIVERSARY

Approximately 100 attended the 129th anniversary of Odd Fellowship which was held Monday evening, May 17, in Odd Fellows' Hall, Musgrove building.

A covered dish luncheon was served. An entertainment followed consisting of solos rendered by Mrs. William Stoppard, and June duets, Mrs. Thomas Woodhead and Mrs. Thomas Chadwick and xylophone medleys by William Chaff of Methuen. Piano accompanists, Mrs. George Keith and Mrs. Charles Barnet.

SERVICE CLUB

The next regular meeting of the Andover Service Club, May 27, will be held at the Andover Country Club. There will be golf in the afternoon for all members who wish to enter, as well as horseshoe pitching and cribbage.

Dinner will be served at 6:30. Officers will be nominated and a program of unusual entertainment will conclude the evening.

REALTY TRANSFERS

Among the real estate transactions recorded at the Registry of Deeds at Lawrence, are the following of Andover:

Frederick E. Telchert et ux to Albert I. Alexander, Jr., et ux, Main street.

Joseph E. Smeltzer to Robert D. Henderson, Ballardvale, Andover street.

William Cooper, Est. to Donald J. Dane, Ballardvale, Woburn street.

Myrtle T. Howard to Charles W. Hayward, South Main street.

Giacomo Receptulo to Vincent A. Salvo et ux, Salem street.

Dufton Constn. Co., Inc., to William E. Greenwood et ux, Beech Circle.

Margaret J. Higgins to Augustinian College of Merrimack Valley, Elm street.

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WEDDINGS

HAIGH—HASELTINE

In the presence of a large number of relatives and friends, Miss M. Jean Haseltine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Haigh, the bride of Donald C. Haigh, of 34 Washington avenue, Sunday evening at 6 o'clock in Central Methodist church, rector, The Rev. Gilbert W. Dodge, Th.D., pastor, performed ceremony.

During the services Mrs. Ella Wingate Ellis was organist and Miss Ruth Henning, organist. The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Irving I. Haigh, and her sister, Miss Ella Haseltine, was maid of honor. Robert Wood was best man. The ushers were Richard Dodge, a cousin of the bride, and Milton Gray.

After a reception at the Roof, Methuen, the couple left on a wedding trip to New York, where Mr. Haigh, a Navy veteran, is a student at the Capitol and Engineering Institute.

WHITE—RICHARD

At a 10 o'clock ceremony Sunday, May 1, Miss Theresa Richard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Richard, 11 Juliette and John T. White, son and Mrs. Leslie D. White, avenue, Roxbury, were united in marriage by the Rev. Louis J. J. S.M., at the Sacred church in South Lawrence.

Given in marriage father, the bride had Miss Goulet of South Lawrence as maid of honor, and her sister, Miss Emily Richard, as maid.

Gordon N. Noseworthy, who served as the bride's best man, and William J. of Charlestown ushered.

The bride wore a white gown with princess line and coronet from which her veil flowed gracefully. White lilies and roses nestled in white orchid center of bouquet.

Miss Goulet, as maid of honor, was gowned in soft pink matching heart shaped charming colonial bouquet. The bride's sister chose a blue and coronet with colonial.

The bride's mother chose a blue flowered hat, complemented by a corsage, for her son's wedding.

Following the reception at the hall, South Lawrence, young couple left on Lake Winnepesaukee, N. H. They are now at Boston.

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NORTH ANDOVER

BELA—GREGORY

Jaquith—Frederick
The engagement is announced of Miss Virginia Wallace Frederick, daughter of Mr. and

Jaquith—Frederick

tending Browne and Nichol
school. Upon graduating in June
he plans to attend the Texas Col

JENKINS—REED

MARRIAGE RETURNS

Joseph E. Lustenberger, 2
Greenfield street, Lawrence, and
Claire R. Erzin, 9 Harding street,
married May 16 in St. Augustine
church by the Rev. Thomas
Fogarty, O.S.A.

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS

Rodney P. Carveth, 453 Loc
street, Lockport, New York,
Barbara A. Jaspert, 10 Sto
hedge road.

Edgar A. Topping, 65 Cor
street, and Marion J. Gaudet,
Garbatt street.

Corbett street.

ANDOVER BOYS SELECTED

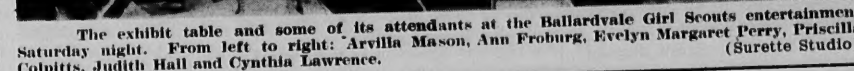
Two Andover boys, William Merchant of 14 Canterbury street and Edward L. O'Connor, of Carisbrooke street, have been selected to enter the Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps starting with the fall college term.

Merchant is graduating	1
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Phillips Academy next m
and will enter Holy Cross col
O'Connor is also graduating
Phillips Academy this June
next fall will enter Yale.

June, **BOND NIGHT**

Bond night was observed at the Square and Compass Saturday night, and the guests for the evening were Sally I. Holt; A. Pinchbeck, South set street, Boston; Howell Shepard, Dascomb road, Lawrence G. Carlson, Andover.



May

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| 21 | P. A. Drama club presents "Othello" for public, 8 p. m. |
| 21 | All-Church Stunt Nite, Baptist church vestry, 7:15 p. m. |
| 21 | Punchard Junior-Senior prom, Memorial auditorium, 8 p. m. |
| 21 | Dramatic Department, Shaw-sheen Women's Club, meets with Mrs. Leslie Jolliffe, 7 Windsor street, 2 p. m. |
| 21 | Book review under auspices of Friendly Guild, Union Congregational church vestry, Ballardvale, 8 p. m. |
| 22 | All-Troop outdoor day for Girl Scouts at Camp Maude Eaton, beginning at 10 a. m. |
| 22 | Annual Field Day at Abbot, beginning at 10:30 a. m. |
| 22 | Concert by Sacred Heart school band, Memorial auditorium, 2:30 p. m. |
| 23 | Music service at Cochran Chapel, public invited, 5 p. m. |
| 24 | Phillips Academy prize music competition, Cochran chapel, open to public, 7 p. m. |
| 25 | Guest night by Girls' Friendly society, Christ church vestry, 7:30 p. m. |
| 26 | Men's club, Baptist church, meeting in vestry, 8 p. m. |
| 26 | V. F. W. auxiliary meeting, post rooms, 7:45 p. m. |
| 26 | Margaret Slattery class min-strels repeated at Free church, 8 p. m. |
| 27 | West Parish Men's Brother-hood, 8 p. m. |
| 27 | Andover Service Men's Club at Andover Country Club, golf in afternoon, dinner meeting, 6:30 p. m. |
| 29, 30 and 31 | Red Coat Horse show. |
| 29 | "The Swan" presented at Abbot Academy, public in- vited, 8 p. m. |
| 30 | Memorial Day. |
| 30 | Abbot Commencement con- cert, Davis hall, public in- vited 7:30 p. m. |

June

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| 2 | 75th anniversary program at library, 3:35 p. m. |
| 2 | Dinner and dance, Andover Catholic Club, at Andover Country Club, 6:30 p. m. |
| 4 | Summer style show, Free church vestry, 7:30 p. m. |
| 5 | Auction sponsored by Men's Club of South church on church grounds, 10 a. m. |

Lodges, clubs and societies in Andover wishing to be included in this calendar may do so by sending notices by Tuesday noon of each week to The Townsman.

The family formerly lived in Lawrence and moved to West Andover a few years ago. Pupils of the grade of St. Rita's school, Lawrence, attended the funeral mass.

Mr. Lowd, formerly of Bartlett street and who now owns and operates a business in Northampton, said that it was 36 years ago that he started in the insurance business as an office boy in a local agency under Mr. Brigham. At the conclusion of his discussion, Mr. Brigham made a few remarks in which he paid the guest of honor a very fine tribute.

AMVET ELECTION

Miss Betty Buchan was elected commander of Post 43, AMVETS, at a meeting held in the post rooms May 17. Miss Buchan is the third commander of the young organization of World War II veterans and has previously served as its adjutant for two years. Richard Dulong will assist her as senior vice commander and James Doherty as junior vice commander. Wilfred Moriarty will serve as adjutant. Officers nominated for the remaining positions will be elected at the next meeting scheduled for Monday evening, May 24.

Further plans will be made for participation in the Memorial Day activities at next Monday's meeting and the AMVETS extend a welcome to all veterans, not marching with other organizations, to join them in paying tribute to their comrades.

The Ladies' auxiliary to the British War Veterans will hold their anniversary banquet June 5th.

A group of Free Christian church choir members attended the concert Sunday evening at the Memorial Music Hall in Methuen.

Ivan Sjostrom, former organist of the church, directed his present choir in a performance of Brahms' "Requiem."

The regular monthly luncheon of the Andover Mothers' Club was held recently at the "Spot." A Penny social, sponsored by the club, will be held at the home of Mrs. Robert Souter, 1 No. Main street, Tuesday, May 25th. The committee is composed of Mrs. R. Souter, M. Paul Simeone, Mrs. George Napier and Mrs. Lewis W. Muisse.

The minstrel show recently presented by the Margaret St. Mary's Free Church vestry Wednesday evening, May 26th, at 8 o'clock, was a most successful one. It is open to the public. There will be an admission charge. The

A rummage sale, sponsored by the Women's Union of the First Baptist church will be held Saturday morning, May 22, at the church.

morning, May 22, at the vestry. The committee: George Adams, Mrs. Leslie Chadwinton, Mrs. Thomas Chadwinton, Mrs. Robert Deyermond, Mrs. Thomas Dea, Mrs. William Levering Reynolds, and Margaret Laurie. Those bringing donations are requested to leave them in the lower vestry Friday morning.

There will be a rehearsal of the Margaret Slattery Minstrel show, Monday evening, May 27 p. m. Business meeting follow.

A Bakery sale sponsored the Helping Hand Society of Free church will be held Friday May 21, at 11 a. m. at the Free Gas and Electric company Main street. Committee: Edwin Anderson, Mrs. Sarah Harris, Mrs. Sidney Batchelder, Mrs. Alex Petrie and Mrs. William Stevens.

Guest night is being held at the Girls Friendly Society, Christ church, Tuesday, May 12. Entertainment will follow dinner.

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EDITORIAL THOUGHTS

FOR BETTER GOVERNMENT

If the voters of Andover want to know more about government—especially local government—the Andover League of Women Voters is going to see that they have the opportunity. This alert, non-partisan organization, takes the attitude that the best way to improve government is to make people more actively aware of it.

That does not mean, necessarily, of course, that it is essential that everybody run for the same elective office! But it does mean that all of us should know more about the various offices, about the people who seek them, and about how the whole thing functions.

Too many people take government for granted. Why bother? is a much-too-common feeling. Let everyone in the town pay for the government which takes care of our destinies. Have we a right to assume an indifferent attitude?

It is the aim of the League, as voted at its recent annual meeting, to provide a voters' service; to employ every practicable plan to interest citizens in fulfilling their obligations as voters, and to vote intelligently.

It proposes to establish discussion groups, working simultaneously, each considering one specific area of local government, the result of all the studies to be pooled at an open meeting to be held just prior to Andover's annual town election and town meeting. A folder will be published, and widely distributed, giving information on the general subject, with special emphasis on the rights of citizens at town meetings.

The next annual town meeting is more than nine months away, but it is none too early to start the ball rolling on such a project. Government is a big subject, and it will take plenty of time even to begin to cover it properly.

Not long ago the Taxpayers' Association announced its intention of being active in town affairs all through the year—not just for a few weeks before the all-important date in March. That, too, is a forward step.

With the combined efforts of these two organizations blazing the trail the people of Andover should be in a better position to learn more about an important and vital matter than are the people of most towns.

There can be but one result—a better community in which to live. More people should feel a responsibility for what goes on in town hall. More people should understand why, and how, certain things are done. And if certain things that should be done are left undone, more people should be in a better position to know what is wrong.

More than that—they should be in a better position to find a remedy!

SAFETY FIRST

Autoists who drive with undo speed are a menace, and it is only right that the police should do all that they can to stop the practice. But there is another menace which is almost as bad. Glaring headlights!

Perhaps no motorist would knowingly drive with his headlights so bright that his car blinds drivers traveling in the opposite direction. But lights that are too bright are too bright whether the man behind the wheel knows it or not.

Would it not be a good idea for the police to stop some of the offending cars—and there are many of them—and at least warn the operators? A few timely warnings might put a stop to the practice and conceivably could prevent more than one serious accident.

OUR APPETITE FOR OIL

If there is any limit to our appetite for oil it certainly is not in sight.

According to the Petroleum Institute, a record amount of oil will be available to this nation during the coming year. Remember, last winter, how we were cautioned to keep our fires burning low because of the oil shortage? Well, it is now estimated that during the year which began April 1, we will have an available petroleum supply of 6,025,000 barrels a day. In other words, all records will be surpassed.

But, if you are a user of oil, or if you drive a car, you'd better go easy. Somebody will be telling you, sooner or later, that the supply is low!

A LOT OF MEAT

The tremendous importance of meat animals to the American farmer is revealed in Department of Agriculture figures. Last year these animals brought the farmer about one-third of his cash income—nearly 2½ times as much as he earned in any other crop. And the total paid to the farmer by the packers reached the impressive total of \$10,000,000,000.

Most of the ten billions the farmers received went for feed, labor, machinery and other materials. In other words, the impact was felt throughout the entire country.

Yet once upon a time—not so long ago—a certain man had the idea that it would be wise to kill off pigs to keep the prices up! Oh, yes, that man is still giving us his ideas.

U.N. Facts and Faces SIAM



The Kingdom of Siam, which reaches from Burma and French Indo-China far south on the Malay Peninsula, has a history that reaches back to the sixth century when the ancestors of the people who now inhabit the land came there from the north. One of the most lightly populated areas of southeast Asia, Siam has 18,200,000 people who live on more than 200,000 square miles. Agriculture is the main occupation of Siam, which each year exports huge lots of rice. Other important products are teak, from areas of dense tropical forests, and tin and rubber. Siam's Representative to the United Nations is Prince Wan Waithayakon. Her flag has two red, two white and a blue horizontal stripe.



By SENATOR PHILIP K. ALLEN

HISTORICAL COMMENT

As readers of this column know, under Constitutional Amendment No. 66 adopted in 1918, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is limited to twenty departments. Without going into the reasons for this amendment, it is obvious that with the advent of additional state control more than twenty departments are necessary adequately to run the business of government. Certain boards and commissions have therefore been set up directly under the jurisdiction of the Governor and Council.

One of the most important of these commissions is that of Administration and Finance under four commissioners—a Chairman, the State Purchasing Agent, the Comptroller, and the Budget Commissioner. Under their supervision are the Advisory Standard Board, the Budget Bureau, the Comptroller's Bureau, the Division of Personnel and Standardization and the Purchasing Bureau. It is obvious that this commission is a very important cog in the wheels of sound economic government, for it is their duty to standardize and control the expenditure of monies.

Another important bureau is the office of the Commission of Veterans Services into which is funneled all matters having to do with Massachusetts Veterans of all wars. This office is staffed almost entirely by veterans.

The recently appointed Massachusetts Fair Employment Practice Commission also falls into this category as does the State Racing Commission, the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission, the Port of Boston Authority, the Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission, the Outdoor Advertising Authority, the Massachusetts Public Building Commission, the State Ballot Law Commission, the Milk Regulation Board, the State Planning Board, the State Superintendent of Buildings, the Armory Commission, the Art Commission, the Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, the Public Bequests Commission, the Greylock Reservation Commission, the Commission on Alcoholism, and two Boards of Trustees—those of the Soldiers Home in Massachusetts and the State Library.

The heads and members of all these Commissions and Authorities are appointive, with the Governor

What Our Readers Say—

Editor of the Townsman:

In your recent editorial "Thanks to the Snow" the last three lines of the first paragraph need just a little further explanation:

"But last winter, because of the deep snow, and the almost impassable thoroughfares, those two streets (Essex and Brook) were made one-way streets as an emergency."

Essex and Brook streets were made one-way, to be sure. But, the heavy falls of snow were just pushed back to the sidewalks and allowed to accumulate . . . in no instance was the snow picked up the full length at any one time. (Main street from the square to a point beyond Chestnut street (both sides) was cleaned from snow-storms three times in 10 days). Result was, pretty close squeezing for two cars to pass, and where oil deliveries or grocery deliveries were being made, the automobiles behind had to wait until deliveries were completed. We may not get another winter like last year, but to facilitate easy movement in allowing cars to pass, persons to get into their homes, food and oil deliveries to be made without blocking the street to cars behind them. If the snow is picked up the entire length of those two streets I am sure that everyone who has occasion to use them will be very happy about it.

Thank you.
Francis T. Kelly

Comment of our readers is invited on matters of general interest. All letters must be signed and bear the address of the sender. Your name will not be published if you wish to use a pen name.

appointing and the Council approving and all are for a term of years, from one to three. The staffs however, remain fairly constant since all are employed under civil service status.

Some of these Commissions are, of course, purely advisory and take up little time of the members. Others, like Administration and Finance, the Fair Employment Practice Commission, and the Port of Boston Authority are full time jobs.

It would seem that the number of these appointive positions would indicate (1) a top-heavy administration and (2) a playground where governors could turn political draft-horses out to pasture. Actually, nevertheless, although in the past governors have taken advantage of the latter, recently endeavors have been made to put in office capable people and in general the work of these commissions has been both necessary and effective.

Down the Years with The Townsman

50 Years Ago—May, 1898

Supt. Smith says that more than 1,000,000 gallons of water were used at the big Ballardvale fire of which the Andover waterworks system furnished 800,000.

News item: A scorching collision with the bicycle of Miss Alice Gould of North Andover while she was riding on Andover Hill. Her wheel was damaged, but the scorching did not stop to offer assistance. Frank and Charles Higgins purchased Clement's bakery.

John L. Phillips leases the Odlin house on Locke street.

The Nemo club enjoys a musical at Frank Watson's, Walnut street. Dr. George B. Elliott of Lawrence buys a lot containing about 30,000 feet of land in Brechin park, Frye Village, and will build a residence.

Bill to exempt professor's houses from taxation killed in the legislature. Representative Poor of Andover votes for the bill.

John E. Keeland of Ballardvale buys a fine Yorkshire pig of which he is justly proud, says a news item.

A special meeting of William F. Bartlett post, G. A. R., is held to form an organization to assist in suppressing the war and to protect the state from foreign invasion. Thirty-five members pledge their aid "so far as we may be physically able to help."

"The flag display in Andover is as generous as elsewhere," says the Townsman, editorially.

25 Years Ago—May, 1923

Miss Emily Richards represents Christ Church Girl's Friendly society at the Diocesan convention in Boston.

House at 89 Main street owned by Dr. C. W. Scott bought by Mrs. Harriet A. Wheeler of 63 Park street.

Mrs. Fred H. Eaton of Central street elected first deputy of Eastern Massachusetts, one of the highest honors in Girl Scouting.

Circle of Friendship gives an electric light party in Christ church. Mrs. Osborne Sutton is chairman of the committee.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Free church has its annual meeting. Mrs. William Crowe, Mrs. John Gordon, Mrs. Lewis Paine, Mrs. John A. Angus and Mrs. David Lindsay in charge of the tables.

Members of the Andover Steam Fire Engine company organized for the year. J. Fred Cole is captain.

Miss Marie Daley is chairman of a May party held under the auspices of St. Monica's C. D. of A.

A car is purchased for the use of the district nurse, Miss Campbell. Edward H. Burt re-appointed superintendent of the West Parish cemetery.

Ten Years Ago—May, 1938

Announcement made of a gift of \$50,000 for a new dormitory at Abbot Academy. The donor is Mrs. Emily Abbey Gill of Springfield. "An apt teacher is Dr. East, and apt pupils are Officer David Gillis and Fire Lieutenant Albert Cole," according to the news columns. The officers successfully set the broken leg of a man in a camp in West Andover.

Rev. A. Graham Baldwin is re-elected chairman of the Andover Guild directors.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. George

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DO YOU KNOW THAT . . .

Of all male factory workers in Massachusetts in September 1947, 12.5% earned \$75 or more per week, but in Pittsfield the ratio in the \$75-or-more classification was 21.9%, in Chicopee 20.4%, Boston 16.4%, Worcester 15.4% and in Springfield 13.7% . . . Of the 22 leading manufacturing industries of the State, those paying the highest average hourly earnings were: newspaper printing and publishing \$2.08, electrical machinery \$1.40, leather tanning \$1.38, chemicals \$1.37, rubber goods \$1.35, machine tools \$1.34, heating apparatus \$1.32, foundry and machine shops \$1.29, paper and wood pulp \$1.21 and metal alloys \$1.20, as shown by a survey by the Dept. of Labor and Industries . . . The Massachusetts Horticultural Society is now in its 120th year of operation . . . The Development and Industrial Commission, 20 Somerset street, Boston, has prepared for free distribution a complete salt water fishing guide for the Massachusetts coast that should be of lively interest to vacationers . . . Imports into the Port of Boston during 1947 totaled 2,874,300 long tons valued at \$362,500,000, an increase over 1946 of 18.5% in weight and 26.5% in value. Exports totaled 461,400 tons worth \$87,500,000, an increase of 18.5% in weight and 40% in value . . . The Town of Northborough at its recent meeting appointed a committee to prepare a building code and zoning bylaw for the protection of the community.

(Compiled by the Massachusetts State Planning Board.)

H. Musk of High street felicitate them on the tenth anniversary of their marriage.

Mrs. Kenneth H. Barnard elected president of the Central Parent Teacher Association.

Mrs. Charles Warden is the new president of the Woman's Guild of Christ church.

OFF AGAIN, ON AGAIN

An old farmer was dying and was giving a few parting injunctions to his wife.

"Don't forget, Maria," he murmured, "that Tom Smith owes me 10 dollars."

"Poor dear," she remarked to her neighbors who had assembled to share her grief, "sensible to the last."

"And don't forget, Maria," went on the dying man, "that I owe old Jones 20 dollars."

"Oh, poor thing," cried the widow-to-be, "he's wandering again."

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U. S. Treasury Department

Veterans' Bodies Here for Burial

The bodies of two World War heroes killed in action in France the Fall of 1944, arrived in Andover this week for burial.

A delegation from the Andover post, American Legion and Andover post, V. F. W. met the body of Allan L. Bjorkman of Hidden river at the Andover station Monday morning at 7:47 o'clock.

The American Legion group included: Color Guards Roger V. Wrigley and Angus Stewart; the following serving as bearers: Arthur Coleman, Harold W. William Lister and Frank P. key, who also represented the T. of Andover and the Veterans' ice office, and with other post members, Joseph Medolo, Alden C. Paul Cheney, Sr., George C. N. and Austin Reed. Sgt. Garcel escorted the body to Andover.

The V. F. W. delegation headed by Comdr. William Hulsey included Color Guards Thomas Fred, Joseph Velt, Hector Keith, William Lahey, with George Th. son, Thomas Auclerholme, James Platt as bearers.

The body of the young hero of Lennart W. and the late (Tewksbury) Bjorkman, was to the Lundgren funeral home Tuesday morning, at the request of the family, to the tomb in S. Grove cemetery. Private committal services will be conducted at American Legion lot Saturday o'clock.

All veterans' organizations meet at 10 o'clock in the I. rooms. They will proceed to cemetery to assemble at 1 o'clock and then march to the legion lot.

The body of PFC. Alexander Walde, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Walde, Sr., 13 Bartlett which arrived at the Andover station on the 4:25 train Tuesday noon was met by Andover soldiers' organizations and town clerks who escorted it to the home from where the funeral was held Thursday with service in the Free church at 2 o'clock. It will be in the Legion lot in Grove cemetery.

Superintendent of Schools, Nath Sherman of Andover, C. Napier, a town official,

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The American Legion group included: Color Guards Roger Whitcomb, Paul Cheney, Jr., Richard Wrigley and Angus Stewart, with the following serving as bearers: Arthur Coleman, Harold Waldie, William Lister and Frank P. Markey, who also represented the Town of Andover and the Veterans' service office, and with other post members, Joseph Medolo, Alden Cook, Paul Cheney, Sr., George C. Napier and Austin Reed. Sgt. Garcia escorted the body to Andover.

The V. F. W. delegation headed by Comdr. William Hulse, included Color Guards Thomas Eldred, Joseph Veit, Hector Keith and William Lahey, with George Thompson, Thomas Auchterlone and James Platt as bearers.

The body of the young hero, son of Lennart W. and the late Ruth (Tewksbury) Bjorkman, was taken to the Lundgren funeral home and Tuesday morning, at the request of the family, to the tomb in Spring Grove cemetery. Private committal services will be conducted at the American Legion lot Saturday at 11 o'clock.

All veterans' organizations will meet at 10 o'clock in the Legion rooms. They will proceed to the cemetery to assemble at 10:30 o'clock and then march to the Legion lot.

The body of PFC. Alexander S. Waldie, son of Mr. and Mrs. James S. Waldie, Sr., 13 Bartlett street, which arrived at the Andover station on the 4:25 train Tuesday afternoon was met by Andover service men's organizations and town officials who escorted it to the family home from where the funeral will be held Thursday with services in the Free church at 2 o'clock. Burial will be in the Legion lot in Spring Grove cemetery.

Superintendent of Schools, Kenneth Sherman of Andover, George C. Napier, a town official, also a

PERSONALS...

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dallas of Beverly spent the weekend with Mrs. Andrew Hamilton of Harding street.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gorrie of 22 Brook street are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson of Montrose, Scotland, for the summer months. Mrs. Gorrie and Mrs. Anderson are sisters.

Mrs. Edward C. Emslie of 28 High street will spend the next six weeks vacationing in Scotland. She will make the trip by air and is scheduled to leave Logan Airport Saturday, May 22.

Mrs. John Greenhow of 124 Main street is visiting for a week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sidney Lamb of Ontario, Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stone and family of Guilford, Conn., are visiting at the home of the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. James H. Hovey, South Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Burklow of Nutley, New Jersey, visited recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Merrill F. Burnett of 14 Cheever circle.

Mrs. James C. Hovey of South Main street is resting comfortably at the General Hospital, following an operation.

Judith M. Lelacheur of 11 Locke street is a patient at the Lawrence General hospital.

Mrs. Sidney Lamb and Sidney, Jr., of 124 Main street left Friday to make their new home with Mr. Lamb in Ontario, Canada.

Clarence Bodfish recently moved from 109 Main street to 23 Summer street.

Legionnaire, and Commissioner of Veterans' Service Frank Markey were among the delegation at the station. Comdr. Mary Bailey represented the Andover All Women's post, American Legion.

Andover post, Veterans of Foreign Wars' delegation, in command of Past Commander William Hulse, included Color Bearers William Benson, Robert Campbell, Hector Keith and George Mills, also George Thompson, Stuart Fraser, Joseph Levi, William Macartney, William Holland, Calvin Deyerdmond and James Rennie.

The Andover Post, American Legion delegation, in charge of Sergeant-at-Arms, Joseph Medolo, included the following: Color Guards Medolo, Thomas J. O'Donnell, Arthur Steinert and John Dwyer, also Richard Wrigley, Robert Demers, Peter O'Hagan, Harold Waldie, William Lister and Albert Cole. Prior to his enlistment in the Army in April, 1942, the young soldier, who was born in Andover, was employed at the Merrimack Card Clothing Co. He received his infantry training at Camp Pendling, Fla., and Little Rock, Ark. He saw action in Italy and France, where he was killed October 6, 1944.

Donald L. Amy of 35 Elm street has resumed his duties as organist and choir director of the Free church following a recent illness.

Miss Irma C. Beene, of 49 Elm street, attended the third wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George Stratton of Malden, held recently at "sailor Tom's."

Mrs. Clarence Bodfish, formerly of 109 Main street is now residing at Concord, Mass., for the summer months.

Mrs. James J. Murray of Bartlett street is a patient in the Lawrence General Hospital, but expects to return home at the end of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Volker are occupying their newly purchased home at 10 Washington avenue. Mrs. Volker was Dorothy Mulise, and during the war served as a WAAC. Mr. Volker is connected with the Marland Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sweeney and two small sons, are now living in their new home at 25 Florence st. They come from Haverhill, although Mrs. Sweeney formerly lived in Brynmawr, Penn.

Miss Louisa Eaton, of Chestnut streets, has been a patient at the home of Mrs. Colloten on Main st. Mrs. Frank Benton of Phillips Academy is recovering from an operation at the Lawrence General hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop Newcomb of Porter road have purchased a new home at 84 Central street.

Mrs. Miriam McArdle was ill Tuesday and unable to meet her music classes in the Junior High school.

Mrs. Clifford Moray and family of Boston, and formerly of Andover spent two weeks recently with her mother, Mrs. Alexander Gordon of Main street.

Miss Patricia Robertson, local telephone operator, is vacationing in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Mrs. James Thompson of Tampa, Florida, and formerly of Andover is visiting relatives and friends in town.

William Anderson of 62 Red Spring road has left to spend the summer in Osterville.

Phillip Gaudet of 17 Cuba street was called to Rumford, Maine, recently to attend the funeral of an aunt.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gorrie of Cranston, Rhode Island, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gorrie of Brook street.

Mrs. Elsie Chase of Tampa, Florida, and formerly of Andover, is visiting at the home of her brother, George Thompson of Shawsheen Village.

Mrs. Syvin Gallant of Rumford, Maine, is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Phillip Gaudet of Cuba street.

Stewart A. Fraser, Y. N. 2, stationed aboard the U.S.S. Fargo, is

Births

A daughter, Sarah Jane, at the Evangeline Booth hospital in Boston, April 25 to Mr. and Mrs. Hugh E. Kates, formerly of San Diego, California, and now of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Kates is the former Dorothy Paine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis F. Paine, 40 Walnut avenue.

A daughter, Tuesday, May 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles I. Scheidecker of Somerville, N. J. Mrs. Scheidecker is the former Ruth Hardy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Hardy of 113 Chestnut street.

A son, James H., Jr., was born May 5 to Mr. and Mrs. James Hooper Grew of Andover, in the Richardson House, Boston.

A son May 14 at the Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Morrissey, 7 Cuba street. The mother was Janet Coverley.

A son May 14 at the Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. John Hurley, River street, Ballardvale. The mother was Catherine Reynolds.

A boy May 15 at the Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Merrill, 89 Pine street. The mother was Catherine Darby.

A son May 17 at the Clover Hill hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Couture, Greenwood road, West Andover. The mother was Lucille LaGendre.

Cancer Drive Nearing Quota
Andover is approaching the \$2500 mark set as its quota in the recent cancer drive, Miss Elizabeth L. Buchan reported today. The amount is still under the goal set for the town but contributions are still being made and it is expected that with a few more donors the goal will be reached by the end of the month.

The public schools showed returns of \$96.25 and Merrimack College reported \$20. Among the larger sums received were \$939.77 from the mills of the town and \$158.81 from the clubs.

In the local drive Miss Buchan was assisted by Miss Bessie Dantos, Mrs. Stanley Hitchens, Mrs. Douglas Crockett and Mrs. Matthew Novak.

visiting at the home of his parents on Walnut avenue, prior to sailing on a Mediterranean cruise.

Mrs. Alexander Thomson of Summer street is spending week's vacation with friends in New York City. William Stirling is ill at his home on Cuba street.

Miss Clara Baldwin has returned to her home on Summer street after a recent visit with friends in Springfield.

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OBITUARIES...

CHESTER KILLAM

Chester Killam of Boxford, well known to many residents of Andover, died Tuesday after a short illness. Former town moderator and member of the school committee, he was a lifelong resident of the town where he was born 85 years ago.

Surviving are six sons, Carl Killam of California, Raymond Killam of Beverly, John Killam of Salem, N. H., Paul Killam of Boxford, Horace Killam of Andover, and Dwight Killam of Kingston, N. H.; three daughters, Mrs. Florence Barker of Swampscott, Mrs. Raymond Pearl of West Boxford, and Miss Hazel Killam of Boxford; 21 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon with services in the First Congregational church, Boxford. Burial will be in Boxford.

JOHN LEWIS PHILLIPS

John Lewis Phillips, for 44 years an instructor at Phillips Academy, died at a Franklin, New Hampshire, hospital Sunday, May 16.

Educated at Haverhill High school and Brewster Academy, he was graduated from Dartmouth College in 1894 and received his appointment as Latin instructor at the Academy the same year, an appointment which extended over 44 years, until his retirement in 1938.

During the war he rejoined the faculty for a short time and won the cognomen "Mr. Chips." He was director of the Dramatic club at Andover for many years.

A member of Phi Beta Kappa, he had studied abroad in Italy and Germany.

two sisters, Mrs. Ada Jackman and Mrs. Helen Welch, both of America; two grandchildren, Lila Jo and Charles W. Phillips and sey, general secretary of the U.S.A.-South Africa Conference in He leaves a son, John Manning Phillips, of Glen Ridge, New Jersey, Franklin, New Hampshire.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon, May 18 at 2:30 o'clock at the Cochran Chapel with the Rev. A. G. Baldwin of the Academy, officiating. Burial was in the Academy cemetery.

MRS. HARRY ARABIAN

Mrs. Sirarpi (Jerian) Arabian, wife of Harry Arabian of 3 Cassimere street, a resident of Andover for 21 years, died Wednesday after a long illness.

She was born in Armenia, educated at the American Missionary school there and at Constantinople and came to this country in 1923, residing in Stoneham before coming here.

Besides her husband she is survived by three sons, Jack, Gregory and Ralph; one sister, Seran Jerian; her mother, Mrs. Anne Jerian of Brooklyn, N. Y., and several nephews and nieces.

The funeral will be held Sunday from the L. J. Farrah & Sons funeral home, Lawrence. Burial will be in West Parish cemetery. Friends may call Friday from 7 to 9 p. m.

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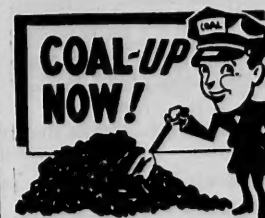
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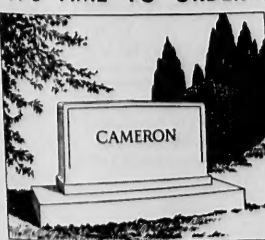
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Library Success Due To Competent Leaders

(Continued From Page One)

'54 at Phillips Academy, and at the time of his death October 10, 1925, Mr. Holt was one of the oldest members of the Phillips Alumni Association. At the outbreak of the Civil War he enlisted for nine months, at the end of which time he re-enlisted for the duration. Greatly interested in books, his appointment was particularly fitting, and he remained as librarian and janitor until 1906.

At the time of his librarianship, it was the custom to combine museums with public libraries, and the accumulated interests of the Cornell Art Fund were used to develop a small museum and art gallery on the upper floor, where art works and objects of historical interest, later placed in the Andover Historical Society, were maintained.

As early as 1892 deliveries of books were made to out-lying districts and in three years the number of books so circulated through Bailey, North and Osgood school deposits reached the number of 2200. This service has been made somewhat unnecessary by greater facility in transportation today, but one district is still receiving loans.

The present day "school loan" system, a vital part of the work inter-relating school and library, had an early beginning in 1900. Reference service was acknowledged important enough to deserve a place in those days, and in 1895 a special section of reference aids was set aside.

After thirty-four years of continued service, Mr. Holt retired from active librarianship, but remained on as custodian of the building. Miss Edna A. Brown, of Providence, Rhode Island, came on September 1, 1906, to fill the position. She had received her library training at the New York State Library School after her graduation from

Brown University, and had excellent practical experience in organization, having done this for the Barrington and East Providence Public Libraries, and, after two years of travel abroad, in the Rosenberg Library in Galveston, Tex.

Made Several Changes

Among the first changes made by Miss Brown were a complete re-registration of all borrowers, the installation of a modern loan system with a new delivery counter, the removal of glass partitions, which thus allowed patrons for the first time to select fiction from the shelves, the removal of the very utilitarian but ugly brown paper covers, in which every book had been wrapped, the development of a "new book" section in the reading room, a series of low shelves where children could select their own books, a change of hours by which the library was open from 3:00 to 9:00 p. m. daily. At this time Miss Abbie S. Davis was appointed to the position of custodian of the Cornell Art Gallery to fill the place formerly held by Miss Julia E. Twichell, who had been named assistant to Miss Brown.

That these initial changes had an influence on the use of the library is proven by the increase in circulation in Miss Brown's first year here—from the 17,968 of 1906 the number of books loaned reached 28,715 in 1907. Part of the increased use of the room was attributed to the improvements made possible by the generous gift of Joseph W. Smith, son of the original donor, John Smith, and also first president of the board of trustees. The room was repainted, a new lighting system was installed, a floor covering laid and new furniture purchased.

It was during this winter season that story hours were begun when Miss Twichell told Thanksgiving and Christmas stories to "various groups of children, ten at a time." Since that early experiment, the story telling project has grown in popularity until today, forty-one years later, it is one of the most heartily enjoyed programs of the library.

In 1913 a branch library was opened in Ballard Vale, and from its opening day until February, 1943, Miss Martha D. Byington served there as librarian. It was her privilege, and to her credit, to see the growth of the new project from a hopeful beginning to an accepted necessity of life in the small community. Ballard Vale had the privilege of books as early as 1878, at which time J. Putnam Bradley,

the proprietor of the mill, furnished books for circulation. These small enterprises of private and "social" libraries had been in existence for over one hundred years before the founding of our present library—one in North Andover being active in 1770, and the Andover Frye District Circulating Library Association recorded in 1840!

Circulation Increased

More than paid service went into the discharge of her duties during those years in which Miss Byington was branch librarian. Tuesdays and Fridays found her at her desk; in season and out; not once did the library fail to open its door "four times a week", blizzard and storm being ignored in her scheme of things. Some months showed the amazing circulation, considering the 32 to 36 hours the library was open, of nearly a thousand books.

And there were many who found their way to her home in the remaining hours of the month for help, information, advice and calls for club work. Her loyalty was not unappreciated, as letters to The Townsman testified on her resignation.

The Ballard Vale room, now in modern attire with its white paint and fluorescent lighting, is still active, regardless of the distractions of cars, movies and a finely equipped main library. Forum groups, movies and story hours supplement the "over-the-desk" service to this rapidly growing community.

One of the fond hopes of Andover's second librarian was to come to pass before her retirement, that of complete alteration of the Memorial Hall building, already outgrown in 1925 to such an extent that adequate service was no longer possible. Through her quiet efficiency and long-range planning the transition to the basement of the Town Hall, to the "market" on Barnard street for the children's quarters and back to the new home after remodeling was a major feat, performed with almost no interruption of service and none of the confusion that such an undertaking could have entailed.

Wrote Books For Young

By the same conservation of energy through careful foresight, Miss Brown had arranged her personal life so that she found time to go ahead with one of her most delightful pastimes, that of writing books for young people. Her books are still eagerly read and loved by the children of the children who first inspired her to "hope for" a separate room for their pleasure in her first annual report to the trustees.

To leave this portion of the survey of the library's growth without an appreciation of Miss Twichell would be an omission quite unpardonable in the eyes of those who had the good fortune of

knowing her in her capacity of assistant librarian and to those who share the privilege of her friendship today. Although born in Plantsville, Connecticut, on Christmas day, 1859, she was always an Andover personality; she was president of her class at Abbot Academy in the semi-centennial year of that institution, 1879, and after training for kindergarten work at Oswego, New York, and several years' teaching experience in Rutland, Vermont, she came to live in Andover in 1892, with an excellent background for work with the town's boys and girls. Two years spent in Turkey with her sister gave her a long view of other people and their problems. To those who worked with her it was this interest in and love for people that was one of her most endearing qualities. She knew everyone, it seemed, and had an intimate knowledge of the "ups and downs" of hundreds of families. She knew WHO had the measles, WHO had been honored in some way, WHO was attending which college, WHO was observing an anniversary, WHO had a new baby, and WHO liked to read what books, to the amazement of patrons and fellow workers, all of whom sincerely love the selfless woman. Regardless of her "foreign" Connecticut birth, Miss Twichell was and is Andover's.

Miss Miriam Putnam was unanimously elected by the trustees to carry on as librarian after Miss Brown's retirement in 1939. Miss Putnam came from Newton Public Library, where she had been in charge of the branch department, had served as head-cataloguer, and was reader's guide to boys and girls of high school age. She prepared for her profession in Radcliffe College, graduating in 1925, and in the Columbia School of Library Science.

Enlarged Use of Library

In her first report to the trustees she stated her belief in the institution of the public library and this policy of administration, to which she has adhered: "We must provide people with books, not just of escape, but those books that will give them understanding and direction. The public library must not exercise a narrow censorship, but must include in its collection books on all sides of current issues. The public library must ally itself with all community activities and become so vital a force that every citizen will think of it as a natural part of his equipment." The recent registration, undertaken in 1947, proved the extent to which this theory of enlarging the library until it is the community has been effective; among other satisfying conclusions it revealed that almost 2600 adults and teen-agers had made active use of the library, and from their newly signed cards some interesting facts came to light:

that these 2600 people are engaged in over one hundred different occupations; that the reading public knows no age limits, old and young alike making use of many of the services offered; that the nearer people are to their source of book pleasure the more they take advantage of its privileges; that more women than men borrow books, although it is an amusing fact that there seem to be "gentlemen's nights," evenings in which nine out of ten persons entering the reading room are men!

SHAWSHEEN

Mrs. G. Edgar Best, Correspondent, Telephone 171

P. T. A.

The Shawsheen P. T. A. held their annual banquet and final meeting recently with a record attendance.

Miss Anne Harnedy, principal of the school, gave a farewell address to the graduating class, who were the guests for the evening, and wished them success in their future studies. The class sang their school song, which was composed by the Pearson twins two years ago and has been sung by each class that has graduated since then. The title of the song is "One Sunny Morning." This year, Shawsheen school has thirty-two members in their graduating class.

Annual reports were given by the secretary, Mrs. B. Weiner, and the treasurer, Mr. C. Colmer, with their president, Mr. P. McKinnon,

ing room are men! These 2600 borrowers and the 1300 children who are registered in the Young People's room, have unlimited resources from which to satisfy the quest that brought them into the building in the first place. There are more than 40,000 circulating books, carefully weeded out, scrutinized and replaced, among them the 2471 new books added during 1947; there is an adequate and growing reference service, with special attention paid to those books of value to the business man; there are over 100 periodicals to which the library subscribes, any of which may be borrowed for home reading; there are literally hundreds of pamphlets on current affairs, a workable file of vocational helps, college catalogs and educational directories, book exhibits on matters of momentary importance, a homemaker's alcove where all phases of marriage, the family and home are arranged in a compact unit. It may have been to one of the "extra-curricula" activities that credit must go for the first contact of many new borrowers—a forum, discussion group, study class or movie program in the auditorium.

To some the opening wedge was a newspaper or radio invitation to a listening-to-music evening, when recordings, mainly selections from the small but growing collection of albums, were played and interpreted. Some have been drawn to the library to see the handicraft or art work of friend or neighbor whose hobby is on exhibit in the reading room, and others were first made aware of the friendliness of the modern library through talks given outside the library by Miss Putnam to various social, religious and business groups.

The library remains, after 25 years, a living memorial to brave men who fought for the welfare of other men. On the fiftieth anniversary of the dedication of the library, Nathan C. Hamblin, much loved citizen, teacher and long-term trustee, made this remark: "There is a great deal more significance than one thinks at first in the relation between a memorial building and a library. This relation between the public library of our town and the memorial feature to our soldiers of the Civil War we are too apt to overlook except once a year, perhaps, on Memorial Day. Cicero said that many great men left behind them the images of their bodies that people might remember them. 'But,' said he, 'should we not prefer much rather to leave behind us memorials of our wisdom and our virtues, such as are found in the writings of great men?'"

presiding.

The officers for the coming year were elected and the new president, Herbert Orstein, took over his duties and presented his executive board to the organization. Members of the 1948-1949 executive board are: Herbert Orstein, president; Mrs. B. Weiner, first vice president; Mrs. Gerard Pelletier, second vice president; Mrs. Allen Flye, secretary; William McCarthy, treasurer; directors for one year: Miss Barbara Eldridge, P. McKinnon; directors for two years: Mrs. John Lowe, Austin O'Toole, Mrs. J. Tangney.

One of the objectives of the board for the coming year is to obtain a sound motion picture projector.

After the meeting, Clyde Richberg entertained with hand tricks and a chalk talk and concluded his evening's entertainment with moving pictures for the children.

Dramatic Club

The Dramatic Club of the Shawsheen Village Woman's club recently attended a matinee of "High Button Shoes" in Boston and there was a group of twenty-five in attendance.

The members drove in and all met for lunch at the "China House." A very pleasant trip was the opinion of all and a similar day is now being discussed for one of their activities during the next season.

Their next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Leslie Joffe at 7 Windsor street on May 21 at 7 p. m. This meeting will be a penny social and all members attending are asked to bring something that will be saleable during the afternoon. Dessert will be served by the hostesses.

Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Simon of 12 Arundel street celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary recently by having open house for their relatives and close friends.

Art

Two of the three students that won honors in the National High School Art Exhibition at the Fine Arts Gallery, Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, Pa., for 194 are Shawsheen students, Jay Guertin of 5 Carlsbrooke street, and Miss Priscilla Tompkins of 15 Union street.

Convention

Mrs. Edward O'Connor, president of the Shawsheen Woman's club, and Mrs. T. E. Andrew, Jr., secretary and their committee of club members are now attending the annual meeting of the Massachusetts State Federation of Woman's Clubs at the New Ocean House, Swampscott.

This is the 56th annual convention, and clubwomen from all parts of Massachusetts and state officers from Washington have gathered for this great occasion. The convention will be for three days, from May 17th through the 19th, and there are over 2000 clubwomen attending.

Cubbing

The Cub Scouts in Den 1 connected with Pack 71 of Shawsheen Village will all go on a hike May 29th with their Den Chief, Peter Dunlop. They will be taught how to set up a cook-out and also how to set a trail through the woods. The boys will leave at 10 a. m. and will return during the afternoon.

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Sixty-six parochial and public school children of St. Augustine's parish received their first Holy Communion Sunday at 10:30 o'clock mass in St. Augustine's church. The Very Rev. Thomas P. Fogarty, O.S.A., pastor, administered the sacrament. Maureen Collins, Claire Dumont, Elizabeth Hearn and Paula P. ent were the leaders.

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Girls—Patricia Campbell, Patricia Collins, Patricia Daly, Patricia Deschene, Patricia Doucette, Joyce Durling, Patricia Galbraith, Patricia Golden, Patricia Grant, Eileen Grant, Norma Lelone, Claire Le Blanc, Patricia Lynch, Rosalie Milne, Patricia Murnane, Brenda McKitt, Kathleen O'Brien, Sheila O'Donoghue, Dorothy Byrnes, Rosalie Carney, Agnes Daly, Miriam Ganem, Jennings, Beverly Ann Mary O'Connor, Barbara Patricia Smith, Mary Steadman, Cynthia Sullivan and Patricia Terrio.

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BASEBALL GAME

A baseball game was played with North Reading Wednesday, May 12th, at North Reading. This was a very good game with good playing by all. The final score was A. J. H. S. 8, North Reading 5. Nice going boys!

Homemaking

Grade 7

The seventh grade homemaking classes have started cooking again after painting the foods room, which looks very professional. They are now making gelatine desserts, including whips, charlottes, jellied salads, and other delectable desserts. These are not only very delicious but very colorful and spring-like.

Grade 8

The eighth grade girls have started their third project in sewing class. Most of the girls are making bright playsuits, although some of them are doing well on dresses.

Grade 9

The ninth grade homemaking girls are making place mats for the foods room. They are white Indianhead, with fringed edges. If time permits between now and the time school closes they are going to put monograms on the placemats. Possibly the letters A.J.H.S.

Centerpiece

The centerpiece in the foods room this week is very gay. It is a May Day doll, carrying a parasol. The place cards at the settings are also parasols. This centerpiece was made by Janet Svenson and Joan Kieth of grade seven.

Library Contest

Members of the ninth grade have entered the Library essay contest sponsored by Memorial Hall Library for their 75th anniversary.

Report Cards

Report card time once more rolled around to find eighty-three honor students for this term. There were thirty-five honor cards in the seventh grade, eighteen in the eighth, and twenty-eight in the ninth grade. This is the highest record we have had this year. Those receiving honor cards are as follows:

Grade Seven: John Asolan, Robert Best, Mary Ellen Bishop, Carolyn Blake, Thomas Burnett,

Alan Dodge, James Dolan, Dorothy Dunn, Robert Erier, Mary Fountain, Marion Glennie, David Gordon, Robert Henderson, Elinor Mondale, Ruth Morgan, Joyce Mowatt, Shirley Murray, George Nason, Mary Alice Shea, Lucille Sherry, Ruth Sullivan, Sidney Tavern, Phyllis Thompson, Robert Vaughn, Barbara White, David Wilkinson, Virginia Bigelow, Edward Brogan, Lola Castle, Emory Letourneau, Louis Mirisola, Raymond Noll, Barbara Doyle, Elizabeth Hatton and William Hogan.

Grade Eight

Edward Dean, Frances Dunlavy, Jean Farrell, Mary Fielding, Barbara Folley, Lyman Gale, Constance Markert, Marion Noss, Nancy Penwell, Charles Schulze, Charles Swift, Pierce Bullen, Herbert Klein, Judith Maddock, Anne Sanborn, Janet Thompson, Raeburn Hathaway and John O'Connor.

Grade Nine

Sally Bassett, Dorothy Keating, Clifford Lawrence, Shirley McCabe, Arthur Mooney, Patricia Peterkin, Betty Sunderland, Sylvia Strumpfman, Bessie Christie, Blanche Znamierowski, Janet Fieldhouse, Frances Rattyna, Grace Engel, George Frasse, Scott Gerrish, Joan Godfrey, Phyllis Johnson, Frank Lewis, Robert Markert, Judith Marland, Dorothy Murphy, Arvilla Prescott, Jeannette Sarao, Joseph Spinella, Joseph Wennik, Marion White, Betty Wilson and Jane Young.

Spelling Match

The annual Lincoln Spelling Match was held last Friday evening in the Memorial Auditorium. Entrance was given only to those who had tickets, which were in charge of Miss Beatrice Stevens, ninth grade English teacher. Mervin E. Stevens of the High school faculty was conductor and Mrs. Emma Gould Carter, dean of girls in the High school, was umpire. In the Junior High Miss Nancy Hird, Miss Anni Angelo, and Miss Beatrice Stevens, seventh, eighth and ninth grade English teachers, drilled the students beforehand.

In the preliminary contests the winners were: Grade 5, 1st, Dale Blake, Stowe; 2nd, Mary Sophia Minard, Stowe; Grade 6, 1st, Norma Howard, Stowe; 2nd, Joyce Williams, Stowe; Grade 7, 1st, Ralph Sharpe, Junior High; 2nd, Mary Alice Shea, Junior High; Grade 8, 1st, Janet Thompson; 2nd, Christine Baduvalis,

both of Junior High; Grade 9, 1st, Joseph Wennik; 2nd, Dorothy Murphy, both of Junior High.

Finalists were: first prize, Dorothy Murphy; second, Janet Thompson; third, Joseph Wennik.

Pioneer Girls

Ten girls from Junior High went to Boston Saturday, May 15th to sing over Station WMEX. The girls who went were: Vivian Bell, Judy Nowell, Laura Thompson, Sally Ann McCullom, Judy Marland, Anne McFarland, Earline Goff, Margaret McLachlan and Arianna Shaw.

Mrs. Loella Thompson was the accompanist on the piano. The girls all went for a picnic after the broadcast, and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Iowa Tests

On May 10th and 11th the ninth grades were given the Iowa tests. The testing lasted all of the school day until 1:30 and no one was admitted on the ninth grade floors while the testing was going on. Miss Katherine Sweet, guidance instructor of the Andover Junior High school, was in charge of these tests.

Ninth Grade Treat

All the ninth graders are anxiously looking forward to May 28th—the date of their annual spring promenade. The decorations will be in the gay styling of a mardi gras and the Phillips Academy "Campus Play Boys" will furnish the music. This is certain to be a gala affair.

Graduation

The ninth grade graduating class will hold its graduation exercises Tuesday, June 22nd at 10 o'clock in the morning. Plans are being made for this under the supervision of Miss Beatrice Stevens, ninth grade English teacher.

Rehearsing

Mrs. Miriam Sweeney McArdle is rehearsing the girls' school band for the Memorial Day parade.

P.T.A. Meeting

One of Miss Marshall's seventh grade social studies classes presented a lesson in geography for the P.T.A. meeting in the auditorium Wednesday evening, May 19th. This proved very successful.

Cancer Fund

Cancer Fund boxes have been placed in each home room and we are hoping that every pupil will contribute as much as they can for this very worthy cause.

Bird Club Visits No. Andover Woods

The Merrimack Valley Bird Club held a successful walk on Saturday in Leland's woods, North Andover. Fifty-two species were recorded in spite of rather unfavorable weather conditions.

Eighteen observers were present as follows: Oscar M. Root, leader; Mrs. Ruth Hatton, Miss Elizabeth Hatton, Mrs. Harry Wright, Mrs. Cynthia Pike, Mrs. Preston Kelley, Miss Frances Brown, Miss Carolyn Blake, Winthrop Newcomb, Albert Retelle, Jr., William Gerraughty, Tim Prentice, and the following from Girl Scout Troop 31, Lawrence: Miss Estelle Gibeau, assistant leader; Madeleine St. Germain, Marguerite Alexander, Annette Marquis, Rachel Mickee, Jean Arsenault.

The fifth annual May bird walks sponsored by the Massachusetts Audubon Society will be held on Saturday, May 22. The Methuen trip, one of sixty-five walks scheduled, will start from the residence of Paul H. Leslie, 30 Summer street, Methuen, under the leadership of

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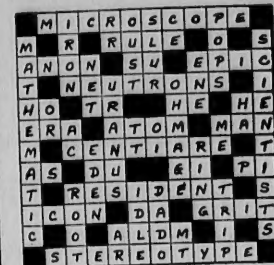
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Oscar M. Root at 8 a. m. All who are interested in observing birds are invited to join this trip whether they are members of the Massachusetts Audubon Society or not. Observers may continue until noon or may drop out whenever they choose. Late arrivals will be able to join the other birders after they have started. Old shoes, pencil and notebook, and bird glasses will be useful.

The trip will be held unless a heavy rainfall interferes. Anyone wishing to contact Mr. Root should call Brooks School, Lawrence 6101 during the day, or Russell House, Lawrence 4810 in the evening. A complete record of the birds seen will be kept by the leader and sent to the Audubon Society for its records.



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Legal Notices

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT Docket No. 223,964

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Hrand Kazarian, otherwise known as Hrand Kazaz, late of Andover in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by Celiane Kazarian of Andover in said County, and praying that she or some other suitable person be appointed administrator with the will annexed of said estate Jacob Jelal and Michael Garabedian, also known as Garry, the executors named in said will having declined to serve.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the morning on the first day of June 1948, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this tenth day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register. (13, 20, 27)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT Docket No. 223,782

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Charles R. Thomas, late of Andover in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by Flora M. Thomas of Andover in said County, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the morning on the first day of June 1948, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register. (6, 13, 20)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts LAND COURT

Petition to Foreclose Tax Lien (Seal)

No. 29389 To all whom it may concern, and to any heirs, devisees or legal representatives of Della Morrison, deceased, not above named, who have not released their interest in the land hereinafter described:

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by Elsie Morin and Ernest Morin of Andover in the County of Essex and said Commonwealth, to foreclose all rights of redemption from the tax lien proceedings described in said petition in and concerning a certain parcel of land situated in Town of Andover in the County of Essex and in said Commonwealth, bounded and described in said petition as follows:

A certain tract of land containing 8020 square feet of land situated on the north side of Juliette Road, comprising lots 93 and 94 as shown on Assessors' Map 68 on file at the Andover Town Hall.

If you desire to make any objection or defense to said petition you or your attorney must file a written appearance and an answer, under oath, setting forth clearly and specifically your objections or defense to each part of said petition, in the office of the Recorder of said Court in Boston (at the Court House), on or before the first day of June next.

Unless your appearance is filed by or for you, your default will be recorded, the said petition will be taken as confessed, and the said parcel of land will be sold to satisfy the part of said petition, in the office of the Recorder of said Court in Boston (at the Court House), on or before the first day of June next.

And in addition to the usual service of this notice as required by law, it is ordered that the foregoing citation be published forthwith once each week for three successive weeks in the Andover Townsman, a newspaper published in said Town of Andover.

Witness, John E. Fenton, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-ninth day of April in the year nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

Attest with seal of said Court. ROBERT E. FRENCH, Recorder. (6, 13, 20)

Fernand A. Bernardin, Esq. 700 Bay State Building Lawrence, Massachusetts For the Petitioner

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Fred H. Eaton, late of Andover in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by James H. Eaton of Andover in said County, praying that he be appointed executrix thereof without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Newburyport before ten o'clock in the morning on the twenty-fourth day of May, 1948, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fifth day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register. (6, 13, 20)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Fred H. Eaton, late of Andover in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by James H. Eaton of Andover in said County, praying that he be appointed executrix thereof without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Newburyport before ten o'clock in the morning on the twenty-fourth day of May, 1948, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fifth day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register. (6, 13, 20)

Eaton and Chandler, Attys., Bay State Building, Lawrence, Mass.

Legal Notices

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Ella Remington Mills late of Andover in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by the Andover National Bank of Andover in said County, praying that it be appointed executor thereof without giving a surety on its bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the morning on the first day of June 1948, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register. (13, 20, 27)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Ella Remington Mills late of Andover in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by the Andover National Bank of Andover in said County, praying that it be appointed executor thereof without giving a surety on its bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the morning on the first day of June 1948, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register. (13, 20, 27)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Nellie Wright late of Andover in said County, deceased.

The executrix of the will of said deceased, the executrix of said Court for allowance her first and final account.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the morning on the first day of June 1948, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fifth day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register. (13, 20, 27)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Mary A. Timony late of Andover in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by Bridget L. Timony of Andover, in said County, alleging that the original last will has been destroyed since the date of said testatrix's death without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the morning on the first day of June 1948, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this tenth day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register. (13, 20, 27)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of James William Bonner of unknown residence.

A libel has been presented to said Court by your wife, Elsie Bonner of Andover in said County of Essex praying that a divorce from the bond of matrimony between herself and you be decreed for the causes of gross and confirmed habits of intoxication, and abusive treatment and neglect to provide suitable maintenance and praying for alimony and that she may be permitted to resume her maiden name of Ruth Watson.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court within twenty-one days from the sixth day of July 1948, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this tenth day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register. (13, 20, 27)

ANDOVER SAVINGS BANK

The following pass books issued by the Andover Savings Bank have been lost and application has been made for the issuance of duplicate books. Public notice of said application is hereby given, in accordance with Section 46, Chapter 590, of the Acts of 1908.

Payment has been stopped. Book No. 30,006. Book No. 30,007. LOUIS S. FINGER, Treasurer. (20, 27, June 3)

Indian Territory was incorporated into Oklahoma when that state was admitted as a state in 1907.

VIEWS OF THE NEWS

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U.S.S.R. Not Expansionist?

The mere debating of peace or war will guarantee nothing, yet Mr. Wallace, and others, would have the issue left to mere chance, damning any nation's move to safeguard itself as a deliberate thrust at Russia. An especial target of his attack is the Five-Power Pact for Mutual Aid, more commonly known as Western Union. This he conceives as an offensive threat to Russia, crediting that country with good intentions only. It should be kept in mind that Europeans are living very much closer to those all-embracing "good intentions" than is Wallace, and they are aware of the deal cooked up by Russia and Nazi Germany in 1939 and 1940, a deal which Wallace says was made by Stalin in the interest of "remaining at peace and saving Russia." True enough perhaps, but the cost was to be paid by the little countries which were to be sacrificed to the Germans as a price of peace for Russia.

In 1939 a vast real-estate deal was negotiated. Six days before Germany invaded Poland, Stalin had been assigned his slice of that country, and Hitler was freed for his war against the West. In subsequent deals Germany was to control most of Europe and Central Africa, Italy would get North Africa, and Russia would be free to extend her influence "southwards." Russia later demanded bases in the Dardanelles and claimed the Persian Gulf area. The break between Germany and Russia finally came over the division of the spoils.

This information was officially released by the State Department this January, perhaps timed deliberately for its propaganda value. The fact remains that the propaganda was cold truth offering a lesson to those who insist that Russia has only peaceful, democratic intentions. Russia today has taken over by one method or another Poland, Rumania, Bulgaria, and Czechoslovakia, to mention only four of the ten. Apologists may argue that in most instances the people of the country voted the decision. True, the vote remains but the voter has disappeared. Apologists may further argue that Russia's extension of her western "frontier" is merely a matter of defense. They may be correct, but the nations whose role could appear to be that of the child thrown to the wolves can scarcely be expected to view the future with anticipation. One glance at the map shows how Russia has expanded since the war, to stretch from the middle of Europe to the Kurile Islands east of Japan. And there is no guarantee or even indication of an end to this expansion. The free European nations, looking around for assistance, see no international organization agreed upon any means to guarantee their safety; inevitably they seek friends who are in the same dilemma. The association of Western European nations is the concrete result. All Mr. Wallace's fulminations and pleas of idealism will look very transparent by comparison.

Western Union in Europe Great Britain, France, and the Benelux countries of Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg signed a treaty for mutual assistance in March, recognizing their community of interests and the need to unite for the economic

recovery of Western Europe. Specifically guaranteed is the promise of armed support by all if one is attacked. The idea of European unity is not a new one. But the issue in many people's minds is whether European unity can be adopted without domination and control by one power.

Many people remember only too well that the old Balance of Power in Europe has led to many wars in the past; they fear that the new Pact may simply be the old Balance under a new name. Actually, the European scene has changed in recent years. Britain's main interests were formerly elsewhere than in Europe. Her primary interest was her vast possessions across the seas; Europe was simply a place whence attack might come. Today her vast empire has virtually gone. She has no control over Australia, Canada, New Zealand, and the Union of South Africa, and in the last two years India, Ceylon, Burma, and Palestine have become entirely free. Her physical future lies in Europe; she is now a part of the Continent. Her thinking is far removed from the newspaper headlines of the 1920's, "Continents isolated by fog!"

Britain Necessary To Western Union

Whatever her foreign politics, Britain has never attempted to dominate Europe, to divide and rule it. Her Balance of Power policy kept it divided in order to prevent one great Power from dominating while she was engaged elsewhere. Her new role must be that of an active member of a European order, limited at present to those nations fearful of Russian expansion and still free enough not to be intimidated, as is Finland, by close proximity. Far from fearing that Britain will impose her will upon them, the members of the Pact demand Britain's inclusion as the political prerequisite of any such union. Economically the other four depend upon Britain for coal and for electrical and agricultural equipment. Politically, those four, living close against artificial boundary lines that cross roads, meadows and forests know that their present freedom was won by Britain's position as a bridgehead for American men and materials. They fully appreciate Britain's potential role in the future. They would be less than realists if they gambled their future independence upon nothing but the outstretched hand of friendship to Russia.

Changed British Policy

For another reason, Western Union is not a resurgence of the old Balance of Power. In past centuries, starting with the struggle against Spain in the sixteenth century, Britain could always find allies in worried nations who feared a growing colossus on the Continent. The Balance of Power system could encircle the menace and contain it, or fight it on several fronts. With the menace removed, Britain would pull out of any European commitments until such time as another danger demanded a revival of the Balance. Today there is one front, from the Baltic to the Adriatic, backed by the enormous land-mass stretching out to the Far East. No temporary alliances can meet this danger. Britain cannot afford to see the Continent conquered again; her chance for survival would be infinitesimal next time. And the United States cannot permit Britain to be in danger of elimination. Whatever idealists argue, however much they may think that debating upon the issue of peace and war

Ruth E. Anderson Guest at Shower

A surprise shower was held at the home of Mrs. David MacDonald, 2 Upland road, in honor of Miss Ruth E. Anderson who is to become the bride of David MacDonald, Jr., June 5 at Christ Episcopal church.

She was presented with a boudoir chair and matching rugs, also a gift of money. A delicious buffet lunch was served by the hostess, Mrs. David MacDonald, assisted by her sisters.

Among the guests were: Mrs. Andrew Hamilton, Mrs. Jean Dallas, Miss Pauline Brown, Mrs. Daisy Gorrie, Miss Lily Nalra, Mrs. Margaret Rennie, Mrs. Mary Reed, Mrs. Bertha Reed, Mrs. James Thompson, Sr., Mrs. James Thompson, Jr., Mrs. Edward Thompson, Mrs. Everett Gorrie, Mrs. Raymond Mowat, Mrs. Edward Lynch, Mrs. Ann Lynch, Mrs. Jessie Renny, Mrs. Alice Aldonis, Miss Ruth Lynch, Mrs. Stewart Hackney, Mrs. Godlin, Mrs. Nellie Doherty, Mrs. Margaret Wood, Mrs. Joseph Wood, Mrs. James Souter, Mrs. C. Matthews, Miss Norma Matthews, Mrs. Helen Allerusso, Alta Matthews, Mrs. John Petrie, Mrs. William Dooty, Mrs. James Christie, Mrs. John Leitch, Mrs. Harold Winters, Mrs. Ada Marjorison, Mrs. H. Gardner, Mrs. John Wood, Mrs. Betty Shaw, Miss Margaret Manning, Miss Rosalie Wood, Mrs. John Anderson, Mrs. Burt Anderson, Mrs. Arthur Gray, Miss Anna White, Mrs. John White, Mrs. John Souter, Mrs. John McGrath, Mrs. David Reynolds, Priscilla Reynolds, Mrs. Frank Mooney and Mrs. David MacDonald.

Miss Anderson was also pleasantly surprised recently by her co-workers at the Merrimack Mutual Fire Insurance Company, where she has been employed for the past two years. She was presented with a gift of money and a corsage.

resolves the issue, the practical future must envision American military assistance to Western Europe. Britain will probably be a vast base, a storage tank for gasoline, and a network of airfields. The other nations want raw materials and supplies against any eventuality. The Western Union countries have a permanent military staff in London, agreed upon joint operations. Liaison with the United States armed forces is maintained through Britain's partnership in the Combined Chiefs of Staff in Washington. An arms pool for the supply of Western European forces is taking shape, with each member-nation contributing the weapons it is best fitted to produce.

The cry to be heard will be that preparations for defense have never guaranteed peace, that this Union will provoke Russia. The practical and undeniable fact is that there is no guarantee for peace. Those who live in fear and danger of conquest have the right to seek the best means to protect themselves. Western Union, by its very urgency and community of interests, may be the beginning of a greater organization that will unite all free nations who wish to remain free. What is their alternative?

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Troop 72—Free Church

At a recent meeting of Troop 72 the following committee were present: The Rev. Levermore Reynolds, Jr., William Morin, Merrill F. Burnett, Howard Johnson, Arthur Schwarzenberg, Robert Meadowcroft and Al Lambert. They aided assistant Scoutmasters David MacCord, David Cargill in the program. Board of Review advanced and Arthur Schwarzenberg to Second Class rank. Other tests passed as follows: Richard Payson, Second Class safety and observation requirements; Andrew Johnson, Second Class knife hatchet test. Kenneth Lambert was presented with a tender pin and official registration and was welcomed as a new member of the troop.

A series of activities was enjoyed during the evening. At the events were knot relays, and mines, candle relay and pass relay.

Plans were made for a week camping trip to Camp Daderent. The troop members sleep in the new pup tent recently purchased.

Pack 72—Free Church A monthly pack meeting held Wednesday evening, May 13.



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Troop 72—Free Church

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A series of activities was enjoyed during the evening. Among the events were knot relays, subs and mines, candle relay and compass relay.

Plans were made for a weekend camping trip to Camp Dad Sargent. The troop members will sleep in the new pup tents recently purchased.

Pack 72—Free Church
A monthly pack meeting was held Wednesday evening, May 12.



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under the leadership of Cubmaster John Carver. The main program consisted of award of badges and a skit presented by the cubs.

Troop 73—South Church

The troop went to Camp Onway, Raymond, New Hampshire, on the weekend to assist in repair work at the camp. Troop Committeeman Robert Hatton, District Chairman Calvin E. Metcalf and District Camping and Activities Chairman Winston Blake accompanied the scouts. The prize of a week at Camp Onway for two boys won by the troop at the Scout-O-Rail, was awarded to Warren Metcalf and Job Hatton, Jr.

Troop 75—St. Augustine's Church
Several Cubs from Pack 71 of Shawshen plan to apply for membership in Troop 75. These boys are: Francis Herrick, John Killilea and William Gens.

Pack 71—Shawshen P. T. A.

A meeting of the pack was held in the scout room of the Shawshen school Wednesday evening, March 19. Webelos badges were awarded to Francis Herrick of Den 3 and to William Gens of Den 1. Bobcat pins went to Joseph Pellegrino and Richard Mason of Den 3 and to Robert Jordan, Den 1. Several boys received service stars. A business meeting covering pack registration was the feature of the evening.

Troop 71—Shawshen P. T. A.

The weekly meeting of the troop was held in the scout room of the Shawshen school with Junior Assistant Scoutmaster John Caswell in charge. District Commissioner Walter C. Caswell awarded the Second Class badge of rank to William McKay. A discussion concerning the plans of the boys who are going to Camp Onway was held. The following boys plan to attend the camp: Peter Caswell, David Wilkinson, Edward and William Dean, Emery LeTourneau, Harold Whitworth and Louis Hamilton.

A game of compass relay was won by the Flying Eagle patrol.

Troop 76—Ballardvale

The members of Troop 76 held an outdoor cooking test last Thursday under the direction of their leader, Arnold Schofield. In spite of the dampness, fires were made and meat cooked.

The Raven patrol met Tuesday at the home of Kenneth Sparks. The troop is planning to participate in the Memorial Day parade.

Parade

The district committee has been notified by Ira Buxton, Secretary of the Memorial Day committee, that all members of the Boy Scouts of America are cordially invited to participate in the Memorial Day parade May 31, to start about 8:30 a. m.

Camp Onway

The Boy Scout camp at Raymond, New Hampshire, opens July 11 and closes August 22. Register for camp at the scout office, 31 Jackson street, Lawrence, before June 1 and save \$1 on each week at camp. Call Lawrence 7694 for further information.

Commissioners' Meeting

Council Commissioner John W. Randsen met with the Commissioner staff recently to discuss and plan the details of the Twentieth Annual Camporee to be held at Camp Dad Sargent, June 11, 12 and 13. Those present at the meeting were Scout Executive Harvey H. Bacon, Field Scout Executive Nestor A. Eno and District Commissioners Walter C. Caswell, Herbert Keough, George Bray and Frederick C. Raitt.

Bird Study Talk

Many Andover cubs and scouts are planning to attend a talk with colored movies of New England birds by Dr. Robert L. Grayce, nationally known naturalist. Dr. Grayce accompanied Commander MacMillan on his exploration trip to the Pole.

The lecture will be at 6:30 p. m., Friday, May 21, at the Oliver school hall, Lawrence. There is no charge to attend.

The program has been made available through the courtesy of the Audubon Society and Hans Christensen, Bird Study merit badge counselor of the Lawrence district. Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Committeemen and dads plan to chauffeur the boys to this big event.

Flower Display By Garden Club

During the week of May 24, the reading room of the Memorial Hall Library will be the scene of a variety of flower arrangements, the work of members of the Andover Garden Club. There will be three complete changes of exhibits during the week, with the following members of the club presenting their material: On Monday and Tuesday, Mrs. Charles H. Hollis, chairman of the committee on flower arrangement, will show her work with that of Mrs. John M. Stewart and Mrs. T. Dennis Pratt; Mrs. Henry S. Hopper, Mrs. Byron R. Cleveland and Mrs. Franklin T. Bigelow will provide arrangements for the next two days; at the end of the week, Mrs. W. T. Rich, Jr., Mrs. George H. Gage and Mrs. John B. Cecil, Jr., will have their arrangements on display. Each exhibitor will illustrate the correct arrangement for certain materials and accessories.

In cooperation with the Garden Club, the library will arrange an alcove of books on landscaping, garden design, flower growing and arrangement of flowers.

All those to whom the art of placement and design in flower arranging is a fascinating one, are urged to make not one, but at least three visits to the library during garden week, May 24-29th.

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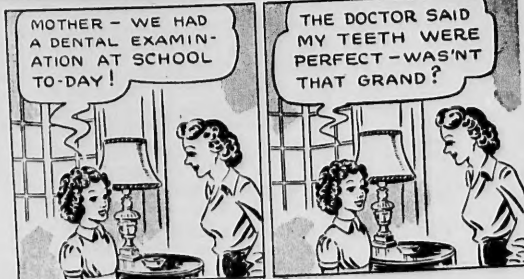
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Outline Plans For Merrimack College

Plans for the development of Merrimack College were outlined by the Very Rev. Vincent A. McQuade, Ph.D., O.S.A., president of the college, at last Thursday's meeting of the Andover Service Club at the Andover Inn.

As guest speaker of the evening, Fr. McQuade discussed the conflicting ideas which are causing so much unrest in the world today. In the question and answer period that followed, the speaker stated that ground would be broken next month for the first of the permanent college buildings. These will be of Colonial design, constructed of brick, and located near Wilson's corner.

Summer sessions for men and women would be held, he said, in keeping with the policy of the college to extend its services to

the community at large, and to foster adult education.

The summer courses to be offered will include accounting, chemistry, economics, education, English, French, History, mathematics, philosophy, sociology, religion, and Spanish. Additional courses will be added if a sufficient number of applications are received. The sessions will be open to both men and women and as far as existing facilities permit, the course offerings have been amplified to include subjects of general interest. Classes will begin Monday, June 28, and will be conducted five days each week until August 6. Applications must be made before June 15.

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Town Clerk George H. Winslow read the warrant calling for the special meeting and Mr. Hardy made a motion that the article calling for the acceptance of the Housing Authority and an appropriation of \$500 for its initial expenses, be approved. The motion was seconded by John F. O'Connell.

Mr. Hardy then gave an outline of the legislation, similar to that he gave at a meeting of the American Legion a week ago.

He said the state had authorized the sum of 200 million dollars to provide low rental housing for veterans; cities and towns could apply for their share which would not be more than three percent of their valuation, or over \$500,000 for Andover, and that the Housing Authority, four appointed by the town and one by the state, a board entirely independent of all other town bodies, would have complete control of planning, building, renting and management of the houses erected. Every action of the board, however, would be subject to approval of the state.

Local zoning and building codes would be observed, no flimsy houses would be built and all would be architecturally approved.

Mr. Hardy further stated that from his study of the legislation and from what he had been told by state authorities the only cost to the town would be the \$500 to cover initial expenses. There would be no expense to the taxpayers thereafter.

The state will guarantee both principal and interest on the venture; houses will remain public property and as such will be tax free. Funds for the project will come from all taxpayers of the state. After May 1953, if the housing emergency has ceased, and at any rate not later than 25 years after the building, the houses may be sold. This decision will rest with the Housing Authority. After the sale the houses will become private property subject to taxes.

Majority of the board members, he said, would be veterans. The selectmen would appoint four and at the next regular town meeting the voters would elect members, one each for five, four, two and one year. The state member would be chosen for the three-year term.

Rental preference would be given to World War II veterans, he stated, and the manner of selection would be determined by the Housing Authority.

In the question period that followed, Wallace Brimer asked if the Authority would do its own book-

keeping, on borrowing, and other financial matters.

Mr. Hardy assured him that it would, that the Authority was a distinct financial entity and had no connection with any other town department. He said many cities and towns have such Housing Authorities already and that Swampscott has just voted to apply. He further explained that the town has but 90 days to apply, and that period would expire July 6.

Mr. Brimer asked if the 200 million was an appropriation or a guarantee up to that amount and Mr. Hardy replied that the state's credit would be behind the bonds or notes to that extent.

Asked by a woman if a veteran needed a home and bought a lot could he have one of these houses built on the lot, Mr. Hardy voiced the opinion that the plots upon which the homes would be built would be fairly well colonized for reasons of economy, and he thought it extremely doubtful if veterans could pick spots here and there.

Mr. O'Connell inquired if property for the housing areas could be seized by eminent domain and was told that it could.

In reply to a question of Mrs. Katherine Baldwin regarding building specifications, Mr. Hardy replied that the board would hire the architects and engineers, that they would be carefully considered and the houses would be substantial.

To another question Mr. Hardy replied that local housing and zoning laws would be respected, and only set aside by the board of appeals.

Replying to a request for an expression of opinion from the Finance committee, Howell M. Stillman, chairman, said that the committee had spent considerable time in trying to understand the law and the members were not quite so sanguine as the selectmen seem to be concerning the cost to the town. He felt that if the meeting voted to accept the Authority and appropriate \$500 for its use at this time, at the next town meeting they might be called upon to appropriate additional funds.

Mrs. Baldwin inquired if decisions of the Authority would be determined by majority vote, explaining that it was meant in regard to a contingency such as might occur if a state member of the board would want to locate a group of houses in a part of the town where children could not be cared for in the existing school buildings. Mr. Hardy believed that the final decision would rest with the state authority, as all of towns' plans must be presented to the state for approval.

When the matter was put to a vote it was carried without dissent.

The motion to appropriate \$280 for rental of D. A. V. rooms was carried after Mr. Stillman, called upon for an expression of opinion, said there have been appropriations for rentals of quarters for able veterans and he thought it could be done for disabled veterans.

Discussing the appropriation requested for a sewer in Topping road and Franklin avenue, Sidney P. White, chairman of the Board of Public Works, said there was some question of a health menace in that locality.

Dr. William V. Emmons of the Board of Health referred to the potential health menace in the area and said that the board favored extension of the sewer.

On motion of Mr. O'Connell that in the absence of further information the article be transferred to the next annual town meeting, the matter was laid over and the meeting adjourned.

The payment of a poll tax is a prerequisite to voting in the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia.

Busy Weekend Planned For Abbot

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hall. The following girls will take part in the program: Jacqueline Kay of New Rochelle, N. Y.; Faith Johnson of Mt. Kisco, N. Y.; Sally Macartney, Methuen; Margaret Black, North Andover; Carol Quigley, Richmond, Indiana; Ann Bronaugh, Nicholasville, Kentucky; Carolyn Jenkins, Concord, N. H., and Helen Tasche of Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

Vespers Sunday will be conducted by the Rev. Morgan Noyes, D.D. of the Central Presbyterian church, Montclair, New Jersey.

Final examinations begin at 8:45 Monday morning, ending at noon Thursday. The commencement program begins with Rally Night (school singing) Friday evening on the Abbot Circle. Saturday's program includes "the last Chapel" conducted as usual by Miss Marguerite Hearsey, the principal, but with a program specially assembled for the occasion made up of highly important announcements such as the names of those who have been awarded prizes in scholastic subjects; the announcement of the winning team in the year's sports schedule, and other significant matters. The ceremony is closed to visitors.

Saturday afternoon the garden party in honor of the graduates and their guests will be held on the lawn near Sunset Lodge, the home of the principal. Among those receiving with Miss Hearsey will be Jane Kenah, president of the Senior class. Saturday evening, the organization, Draper Dramatics, will present Ferenc Molnar's comedy, "The Swan", directed by Miss Emily Hale. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Sunday is Baccalaureate Day. The school will assemble in the South Church to hear an address by the Rev. Robert Russell Wicks, D.D., Dean of the University Chapel, Emeritus, Princeton. In the afternoon the traditional Tree and Ivy ceremony will take place, followed by buffet supper honoring the parents of the Seniors. In the evening the public is invited to hear the Commencement Concert to be given in Davis Hall at 7:30. The department of music including piano, organ, and voice will combine to make a program of unusual interest and beauty.

Commencement exercises will take place in the South Church auditorium Monday morning at 10:00 o'clock. Diplomas will be awarded by Miss Marguerite Hearsey, principal of the school, following an address to the graduates by the Rev. Angue DeMille Cameron, Church of the Messiah, Montreal, Canada.

Big Trout Caught In Shawshoan

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Their efforts have been rewarded and they now have the satisfaction of knowing the river is making a come-back. Fishermen are reporting some very nice catches of trout from its waters this spring. This is a true indication that the river is approaching a stage of purity that has not been known for 50 years, they report. Trout will not live in polluted waters.

The Andover Sportsman's club stocked the river with 1000 brook trout and the state has agreed to match this with a like amount from the state fish hatcheries.



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Academy Musicians To Compete Monday

Next Monday evening, May 24th, the annual competition for music prizes will be conducted in the Cochran Chapel at Phillips Academy, beginning at 7 o'clock. As in former years, this event is open to the public. The school's outstanding musicians will be heard in a program of unusual interest.

The Charles Cutter prize of \$35 is for proficiency on orchestral, especially stringed, instruments. Rodman Rhodes of Des Moines, Iowa, violinist, and Robert Brumbaugh of Altoona, Pennsylvania, trumpeter, will compete for it.

Four students, John Forbes of Minneapolis, Sherwood Lovejoy of Greens Farms, Connecticut, John Lincoln of Montpelier, Vermont, and Robert McCoubrie of Andover, will compete for the Frank van der Stucken prize of \$25 for proficiency on the organ.

The Milton Collier prize of \$25 is for pianists. Three closely matched contestants will take part in the program. They are Lawrence Ennet of Washington, D. C., David A. Reed of Lakewood, Ohio, and Joseph Ponte of New Bedford, Massachusetts.

An additional prize of \$10 is available to the judges to be awarded as a second prize in any of the fields of competition.

Other prizes that will be awarded at the Prize Day exercises are the Edward Pitkin Poynter prize, for that member of the Academy Orchestra who has proven to be the most valuable member of that organization, and a prize for the best original musical composition in any form. Seven manuscripts have been entered for the judges' consideration.

Ellwood C. Hill, chairman of the department of music at Bradford Junior College, Walter Howe, chairman of the department of music in Abbot Academy, and Robert E. Sault, superintendent of music in the Lawrence Public schools, will adjudicate in the competition.

Junior High Pupils Win Art Awards

Five Junior High school students were among winners of the scholastic art awards presented at Pittsburg in the National Exhibition in the Fine Arts Galleries of Carnegie Institute.

In art, Jay Guertin, 9th grade, received a certificate of merit for water color and tempera; Marion White, 9th grade, received honorable mention for water color; and

Priscilla Tomkins, 8th grade, won honorable mention for water color. They are pupils of Miss Frances L. Dalton.

Priscilla Johnson received honorable mention in letter-writing, and

Patricia Peterkin won a certificate of merit in short story writing. The latter are pupils of Miss Beatrice L. Stevens.

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Will Name Cadets For Military And Naval Academies

Designation of candidates from the Fifth Congressional District to the Naval and Military Academies will be made by Cong. Edith N. Rogers as the result of examinations to be held at the High school, Lowell, July 12.

In a notice just issued, Cong. Rogers writes: "The Navy Department has notified me that I am entitled to designate from the Fifth Congressional District three candidates for cadets in the U. S. Naval Academy, such midshipmen to enter during the summer of 1949. I am also entitled to designate nine alternates who will be designated in order of rank if the principals fail."

"The Army Department has notified me that I am entitled to designate from the Fifth Congressional District two candidates for cadets in the U. S. Military Academy, such cadets to enter during the summer of 1949. I am also entitled to designate six alternates."

The candidates will be selected as the result of a district-wide competitive examination, entirely unofficial, to be held by the U. S. Civil Service Commission at Lowell High school, July 12.

The examination will consist of three booklets: 1, vocabulary and reading; 2, understanding of spatial relations; and 3, algebra.

Candidates must be citizens of the United States and actual residents of the Fifth District for the past 10 years. For the Naval Academy they must have reached their 17th birthday, but not their 22nd on July 1, 1949. For the Military Academy they must have reached their 17th but not their 22nd birthday by July 1, 1949.

Any man who has served not less than one year honorably in the armed forces will be eligible until 23 years of age on April 1, 1949, for appointment to the Military Academy.

Applicants should send names, addresses, schools attended, and length of time they have resided in the Fifth district, not later than June 4 to Edith N. Rogers, Member of Congress, 1725 New House Office building, Washington, D. C.

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Garden Club Elects Officers

New members were received and officers for the coming year elected at the annual meeting of the Andover Garden Club held Wednesday, May 12, at the Log Cabin in the Bird Sanctuary.

At 10 o'clock there was a sale of plants, garden books, gardening supplies and pottery which lasted for an hour.

The business meeting opened at 11 o'clock with Mrs. Guy B. Howe, president, in the chair.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Guy B. Howe; Vice-President, Mrs. Bertrand G. Peck; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Ernest Wilkinson; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. James E. Downs; Treasurer, Mrs. Charles F. Chipman; Auditor, Miss Anne B. Penniman; Directors, Mrs. Nathaniel Stowers, one year; Mrs. Albert J. Moore, two years.

Committee chairman: Program, Mrs. Charles W. Arnold; Hospitality, Mrs. Dean K. Webster, Jr.; Publicity, Mrs. Byron E. Cleveland; Horticulture, Mrs. T. Dennis Pratt; Conservation, Miss Bessie P. Goldsmith; Flower Arrangements, Mrs. Charles Holles; Garden Club Service, Mrs. Frederick Johnson; Nominating, Mrs. Arthur B. Darling; Clerical, Mrs. Samuel Resnik; Advisory, Mrs. Henry S. Hopper.

The following new members were elected: Miss Evelyn Hardy, Mrs. Homer C. Riggs, Mrs. Dudley Robinson, Mrs. Arthur Reeves, Mrs. Edward J. Douglas and Miss Marjorie Stearns.

With the completion of the business session, the Hospitality committee, Mrs. Dean K. Webster, Jr., chairman, assisted by Mrs. Ernest Wilkinson and Mrs. Franklin T. Bigelow, served coffee and dessert.

After the meeting the members and guests visited the gardens of Mrs. John Stewart, Mrs. Annette Curran, Mrs. William T. Rich, Jr., Mrs. Mitchell Johnson, Mrs. Charles Arnold and Mrs. Joseph Bell.

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VIEWS OF THE NEWS

By LEONARD F. JAMES

Idealism is a virtue provided it is tempered with realism. Vague statements should have the ability to analyze below the surface. Recent events in the world seem to indicate that aspirant to the White House is glibly or thinks little of the American public to a that it is an easy mark. The letter from Henry Wallace Stalin is a case in point. Following upon the heels of the Molotov Notes, Wallace's "had the effect of keeping even in Europe jittery about the States, making the Adminis appear to be caught napping reassuring many American in their attractive illusion there's a cheap, easy, and in solution to Russo-American it is very difficult to believe Henry Wallace doesn't know Purpose of American "Not

Doubtless the Smith-Notes gave Wallace his opportunity to make political hay and upon the emotions of the American people. The origin of the Molotov affair would appear simple and sincere. The Administration wished Russia to be no misconception that an year would render the States less able to deal Soviet policy of expansion; ed also to emphasize that A economic aid to Europe, su Western Union, and domestic movement were not meant signed to encircle Russia. the United States was su that Russia shouldn't persue that America might b

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